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CONFLICTING REPORTS FROM LINYI SECTOR

Bloody Fighting On South Shantung Front

KONOYE RESIGNATION RUMOURS DISPELLED

Tokyo, To-day.
Rumours that the Premier, Prince Kono, was suffering from a "diplomatic illness," and that his resignation was imminent, were dispelled this morning when he returned from sick leave and resumed his duties.
Prince Kono was received by the Emperor this morning, and conversed with His Majesty for some time.—Our Own Correspondent.

EFFORT TO DISPERSE BOXING FOG

Rome, To-day.
The intolerable situation in the sport of boxing, namely that America and Europe in like classes, recognise different boxers as world champions, was ended yesterday when representatives of 63 nations attending a world boxing congress in Rome, appointed a special commission to decide in future on challenges sent to holders of world championship titles and to draw up a world championship list.

The President of the International Boxing Union, Count Campello, of Italy, the Vice-President, Dr. Metzner, of Germany, and Sig. Mazzia, of Italy, belong to this committee, while America will be represented by General Phelan, of the New York Boxing Commission, Mr. Edward Foster, of the National Boxing Association of the U.S.A., and Great Britain by Col. Middleton, of the British Union.—Trans-Ocean.

FIRST AMBASSADOR

Belgrade, To-day.
A former Rumanian Minister of Transport, M. Franasovici, has been appointed Ambassador to Warsaw.

This is the first time that Rumania has appointed an Ambassador to any foreign country.—Trans-Ocean.

Optimism In Hankow Chinese Military Quarters

Hankow, To-day.

Considerable confusion exists as to the fate of the Chinese defenders of Linyi, on the South Shantung front, where about 50,000 Japanese troops have been battering at the Chinese defences for the past 24 hours without pause.

Such reports as are trickling through to Hankow from the front are meagre and conflicting, but it seems that bloody fighting is still raging either in or around the town.

One report, as yet unconfirmed, states that the Chinese, pounded unmercifully by planes and artillery, have given way and have been obliged to retire from the greater part of the town.

Other reports say that although the Japanese have penetrated into Linyi, the Chinese are still entrenched in the town, which has now been turned into an expanse of ruins.

A high Chinese military officer told pressmen this morning that "whatever the fate of Linyi, we are not worried. We taught the Japanese a lesson at Taierschwang, and we are quite ready to give them another dose of this medicine." — Our Own Correspondent.

MR. HORE-BELISHA IN ROME

Rome, To-day.
The British Secretary for War, Mr. Hore-Belisha, according to an official announcement issued here, will arrive in Rome to-morrow on his return journey from Malta and will stay two or three days in the Italian capital.—Trans-Ocean.

JAP. SPOKESMEN PROVIDE ANOTHER RIDDLE

Shanghai, To-day.

An official disavowal was made this morning by a Japanese Embassy spokesman of the statement made yesterday by Mr. Masaja Yoshida, President of the Shanghai Japanese Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Yoshida, it will be recalled, refuted charges that the Japanese were responsible for damage to foreign property in Shanghai.

The Embassy spokesman this morning said that Mr. Yoshida's statement must be considered purely personal and does not indicate the official viewpoint.

The question of war damages and responsibility, he added, was a matter for official investigation. — Reuter.

SMALLPOX

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Adam never should have passed over that rib because the way things turned out it must have been his best one. A woman, as some poet nastily remarked, may be a rag, a bone and a hank of hair, but she's been smart enough to devise some pretty glad rags for herself, and a little flesh distributed here and there around the bone has worked wonders.

This Hair Business

It's the hank of hair business, though, that we're concerned with for the moment. Breathes there a

woman, alive or dead, who never to herself has said, "I won't accept straight hair without a struggle." As a matter of fact, she has always known what to do with straight hair (it's mostly been done with irons, wires and pins) and she's always known what to do if the hair was the wrong colour or length. She'd be switched if she couldn't add or subtract from her crowning glory at will.

But look at her mate, or if she hasn't one, someone else's mate. He can part his hair left, right or centre, or brush it back into a spraying fountain effect. When you've said that you've said everything. Great-grandpappy solved the what-now-little-man problem by wearing a wig, but his ancestors found them pretty hot stuff that made the real hair fall out just that much faster.



But let's consider the proposition from a purely selfish angle. The men like us beautiful. Very well, we don't exactly go in for mugs either. They don't have to be Robert Taylors and Clark Gables, but, it helps.

All of which reminds us that the Gable type can get away with a certain studied carelessness, but good old Gus in his oil-soaked leather jacket wouldn't be a rose even if his name was Aloysius, which it isn't likely to be. And, sticking to Gable (as who wouldn't?), he may be fetching when a stray lock falls over one eye, but, coming back to Gus again, muss up his hair and he looks like something even the cat would ignore.

The Logical Answer

So what's the solution, Watson? A good permanent of course. We'll insist on wide, loose waves, no kink or fuzz, and a finger wave at least twice a month.

What fun, too, to get the boys in to the beauty parlours where we can watch them with the pretty manicurists. Stick any man under a good hot dryer for a while and watch the cookey complex disappear. Make him feel the bite of steel on his scalp, and he'll emerge a gentler man.

Besides, a little masculine touch in the salons de beaute wouldn't be out of order. Think of the jolly bridge foursomes that would while away the long hours while the hair dries.

If he has a monthly beauty bill of his own, is he so apt to grumble about yours?

TURPS ON THE JOB

There are lots of jobs in the kitchen which turpentine will do expertly, so keep a bottle of it handy. Here are a few ways to use it.

To keep moths away from your wardrobe, paint turpentine into all the corners and then shut it up for a few hours. The fumes will kill any moth eggs which may be lurking there and will also prevent new moths taking up residence.

It's a good thing to clean knife handles with turpentine. If you want to remove shine from a serge suit, soak a piece of flannel in turpentine and rub it well into the material. Leave the suit out in the open air so that the smell disappears.

Paint brushes which have been neglected look as though they'll never be fit to do a day's work again. Soak them for a few hours in linseed oil and then clean them with turpentine—they'll give you many hours' service after this.

When you're doing some house-decorating, and want to remove some old paint, soften it first with a mixture of half turpentine to every part of cloudy ammonia. Rub this into the paint and it will be quite easy to scrape off the paint.

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New Things In The City Shops

A Sale, A New Shipment And Other Discoveries

by Ursula Jeffries

This week's shopping notes may not seem to the reader particularly orderly but at least there has been some association of ideas in the writer's mind, perhaps no more inevitable than the "this reminds me" type of reporting. But strive as we do to group our subjects so that the reader will not have to make too long mental jumps from paragraph to paragraph, there comes a time when a flock of allied subjects must be considered together, regardless of the principles of sequence.

So, relying upon the fact that order, although Heaven's first law, is not its only law, let us dip our hands into this chance pool, and see what item of interest is first on this week's list of new merchandise in the shops.

Clearance of American Shoes

The first item we draw is no less than a clearance sale of American shoes which is now in its advanced stage at Vogue's. Here you will find a group of spectator sports, day and afternoon footwear that will put fashion on your feet and a new spring into your step for the price of \$15. A price which isn't repeated with any great frequency as any wise shopper knows.

We are told that 150 pairs have already been sold this month, and we are not surprised judging by their smart styles and ability to stand much foot slogging. What remains will go to the shopper who doesn't have to wait for the word "go."

Or if its just summer clothes you want, and you want them to be different, the answer is still Vogue's. In their dress department, the cupboards and hangers are gay with printed linens just now. This delectable crop only arrived yesterday, and if you rate yourself among the wise buyers you'll be there to see them to-day.

We adored a natural two-piece linen, with two massive tulips rising from either side of the waist to form breast pockets, and we simply loved their gaily patterned water-repellent frocks. These last are not only rain-resisting, but very pretty to look at so make a special point of asking to see them.

Enchanting cotton formals with smart boleros, which are such a blessing to the much-invited woman; dainty organdies and marquisettes with swishing faille petticoats; and giddy straw bonnets, including a group of wide-brimmed models, are all new arrivals to be seen, admired and bought at Vogue's this week.

Lovely Linens

And from Vogue's we suggest that you take the lift to the second floor, and spend a pleasant half-hour or so browsing among the lovely linens and adorable undies to be found in The Linen Chest. This new shop welcomes your inspection, and you need feel under no obligation to buy if you don't want to. But we wager you'll find

it hard to resist one of their luscious Peticelli lace luncheon sets, for instance, or come away without a precious bundle of pretty undies, tucked securely under your arm.

We don't know what law of averages governs the thing, but every once in a while we run across the youngest prices in the most unexpected places. So don't be put off by the expensive atmosphere of this little shop—everything looks like a million dollars but you can actually buy a pair of satin panties, intricately embroidered, for \$4.50; or else panties and brassiere, the more luscious kind panelled with fine lace, for \$10.50.

Here you can also purchase a full range of Marrow's cosmetics, including that wonderful Avocado cream, especially created for delicate skins, with nourishing and cleansing properties. Theon and Revlon nail polishes, too, and "Fingertips" a non-acid nail polish remover.

Tyrolean Shoe

At Gordon's we ran across the most novel, and attractive pair of shoes it has ever been our good fortune to find. We can imagine ourselves trotting about for hours in them, and feeling as fresh at the end as we were in the beginning. They're linen sandals, with rope soles and flat rubber heels, but the nicest part about them from our point of view is the Tyrolean embroidery covering the toe cap and straps.

We can't imagine anything that will make you start off on the right foot so much as these gay, giddy sandals.

Easy On The Eyes

From Gordon's our footsteps led us to the China Emporium where we came smack up against a load of originality. This up-to-date department store, m'dears, are now devoting a special department to the tailoring of Chinese gowns for European ladies.

Unless you're blind, you must have noticed how becoming the modern Chinese gown is—how effectively and yet so modestly it reveals m'lady's charms.

It seems that the recent Chinese Art Exhibition held in Europe started the craze for the wearing of Chinese gowns among European women, and although the China Emporium established this new department primarily for the tourist, local orders have been surprisingly brisk.

An expert ladies tailor is available to measure, fit and present you with a perfect garment, and free advice is given as to materials and designs in vogue.

We have often wondered why the woman with an attractive figure didn't affect the Chinese mode on occasion. She would certainly be very easy on the eyes.



APRON DRESS. Maureen O'Sullivan, M.G.M. actress, poses in a delightfully feminine summer dress. The unique feature is the combined bodice and pleated apron of printed crepe-de-chine which is worn over the frock of beige morocain. The wide brimmed straw is also in beige, with a band of blue chiffon velvet ending in wide streamers encircling the crown.

FORTHCOMING WEDDINGS

The following forthcoming marriages are announced:

Mr. Li Wing Chee, salesman associated with Messrs. Gilman and Company, to Pang Yim Lan, of 65 Lockhart Road.

Mr. Eric Cox-Walker, marine officer attached to the s.s. Foo Shing of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd., to Eugenia Matveevna Guz, of 6B Hankow Road, Kowloon.

Mr. Gustav Otto Amann, engineer, residing at 24 Conduit Road, to Helene Maria Gertrud Schmahl, of 24 Conduit Road.

Mr. Sham Kwok Tai, charge dresser, Kowloon Hospital, to Lien Fung Yee, of 33 Jordan Road, Kowloon.

Mr. Chan Hung Tak, a clerk in the employ of Messrs. Imperial Chemical Industries, Ltd., to Janet Chu, a nurse residing at 6 Mongkok Road, Kowloon.

Mr. Choa Man Woon, merchant, residing at 8 Rutland Quadrant, Kowloon Tong, to Chan Sau Ying of 8 Dragon Terrace, Causeway Bay.

Mr. Boon Yoon Fong of St. John's Hall, University of Hong Kong, to Rose King Lee, residing at 23 King Kwong Street.

Mr. Tuck Liang Cheng, merchant, of 40 Jardine Street, to Teh Soo Kiang, residing at the same address.

Mr. Liu On Wah, a teacher in the St. Louis Industrial School, to Chui Chi Kit, residing at 59 Yu Chan Street, Shamshuipo.

Mr. Lam Chak Yan, an assistant in the employ of Messrs. Kung Cheong Engineers, to Liu Yuk Ching, of 75 Bonham Road.

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ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT RAIDS ON FORGERY GANGS MADE BY THE POLICE AUTHORITIES RECENTLY HAD ITS SEQUEL AT THE SUPREME COURT THIS MORNING, WHEN THREE CHINESE, YUNG PI, YUNG YEE AND CHAN KIM, WERE CHARGED BEFORE THE CHIEF JUSTICE, SIR ATHOLL MACGREGOR, AT THE CRIMINAL SESSIONS WITH POSSESSION OF 4,618 FORGED BANK-NOTES, PRINTING PRESSES AND MATERIALS FOR MAKING THE NOTES.

The three accused were represented by the Honourable Mr. Leo D'Almada, junior, instructed by Mr. M. A. da Silva, and pleaded not guilty. Mr. E. H. Williams, Assistant Attorney-General, appeared on behalf of the Crown.

The jury empanelled were Messrs. B. J. Lacon (Foreman), K. Brock, Fung Kai-leung, Wong Kwai-yim, D. K. Paul, Ng Pak-wing and Ching Sik-wing.

It was alleged that the accused were engaged in printing forged banknotes purporting to be of the Bank of China, Central Bank, Kwangtung Provincial Bank. The face value of all the notes found in accused's possession was almost \$10,000.

At about 7.30 p.m. on February 14 last, Inspector Darkin and a party of detectives raided the second floor of No. 10, Fung Wong Terrace and discovered the forged bank-notes and printing presses in the three cubicles, after making a forced entry following the refusal of the inmates to open the door.

The case is continuing this afternoon.

**MALAY SEAMAN
SENTENCED FOR
STABBING
AFFRAY**

Amin Bin A. Jalil, a deck hand of the Javanese Prince, was this morning sentenced to three months' imprisonment by Mr. H. R. Butters at the Central Magistracy for assaulting the second officer, Mr. T. C. Grey, by stabbing him on the shoulder while the ship was berthing at the Taikoo Docks on April 11.

The case was decided to-day as the officer had been in the French Hospital since the stabbing and this was the first occasion he could appear in court.

Inspector Wright said that on April 11 the ship was berthing and the defendant and several others were cleaning the deck. A wire rope which defendant was coiling, struck the officer who upbraided him. Defendant took out a knife and aimed at the complainant who managed to evade the blow but was struck on the shoulder.

All the workmen are permitted to carry knives for their work but it is the rule that the point of the blade must be cut off.

The defendant, in dock, stated that on that day the officer was continually scolding him. He did not know that he had been struck by any wire. The complainant got angry with him and started to assault him so he took out the knife in self-defence.

**RAJAH HOME,
MEETS
THE ROYS**

London, April 3.

Sir Charles Vyner Brooke, white Rajah of Sarawak, whose daughters married Lord Inchcape, Harry Roy, the dance band leader, and Bob Gregory, the all-in wrestler, arrived in England yesterday for his annual holiday.

Mrs. Harry Roy met him, and he hopes to meet his third daughter, Princess Baba, now Mrs. Gregory, before he leaves.

"She and her husband are now touring somewhere in America," he said, "but I hope they will be back in England for me to meet them before I end my holiday."

"As usual I shall spend a good deal of this holiday at race meetings, including Ascot and Goodwood. I return in September."

To-day there is to be a family reunion at Sir Charles' country home near Godalming. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Roy will be there and will bring their nineteen-months-old baby.

The President of St. George's Society, supported by Past Presidents and Members of the General Committee, will lay a wreath at the Cenotaph on St. George's Day, on Saturday.

JUNK PIRATED

Leung Ki-li, master of a junk, has reported that at about one o'clock yesterday morning while two miles off Castle Peak, a small boat with 10 or 12 men came alongside. Two were armed with revolvers.

They ransacked the boat and took away money and cargo to the value of \$160.

**FOREIGNERS
IN ACCIDENT**

Mr. and Mrs. Sweeney were admitted to the Kowloon Hospital suffering from cuts and bruises sustained when their car crashed into the hillside in Dyer Avenue yesterday.

**SHOWING THE
FLAG**

Vienna, To-day.

A daring climbing feat was carried out by two Nazi youths yesterday.

The youths scaled the 137-metre high tower of St. Stephen's Cathedral, the highest building in Vienna, and planted the Swastika flag at the top of the steeple.—Trans-Ocean.

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RIGA, TO-DAY.
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The zone is served by electric stations and in case of invasion, thousands of square miles could be blown up by depression of a dozen electric buttons.

DEMORALISING THE INVADER

The scheme is co-ordinated with large military aerodromes behind the mined zone designed to complete the demoralisation of an invader after the frontier explosion.

Marshal Voroshiloff, Defence Commissar, is reported to have recently returned to Moscow from the Crimea to attend deliberations of the Military Council to accelerate completion of the plan. — Reuter.

BRITISH BUDGET FORECAST

London, To-day.

With the approach of the budget debate in the House of Commons, interested circles are discussing the possibility of tax increases.

It is generally believed that the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir John Simon, who will present the budget on April 26, will not propose an increase of direct taxation to meet the financial requirements of the British Government.

The increase is not expected to be very high.

According to financial circles the increase is likely to affect mainly luxuries, like beer, tobacco, fuel and automobiles. The increase of taxation of cosmetic goods is also considered.

It is also expected that new legislation for the prevention of tax evasion will be enacted.

The budget requirements for 1938-39 are about £862,000,000. — Trans-Ocean.

JAPAN RELAXING FOREIGN EXCHANGE RESTRICTIONS

Tokyo, To-day.

Japan's two leading financiers, Mr. Kaya, head of the Treasury, and Mr. Yuki, Governor of the Bank of Japan, last night defined the objectives of the Government economic policy, stabilisation of economic conditions and provision of an adequate supply of munitions.

Both disclosed the Treasury's intention to relax the restrictions on purchase of foreign exchange, and stimulate the nation's lagging foreign trade.

Both financiers were interviewed in the train en route to the industrial heart of Japan, the Kwansai district.

Mr. Kaya is spending the next ten days in conferences with leading Osaka and Kobe industrialists and bankers in an effort to secure who's-heart support of the Government's financial policy.

Mr. Yuki is attending a conference of representatives of clearing houses in Osaka.

Mr. Kaya said the Government is considering offering shares in the projected North China and Central China developments to the nation. — Reuter.

ITALIAN NEWSMAN RELEASED

Peiping, To-day.

Luigi Marzini, correspondent of the Italian newspaper "Corriere della Sera," has been released and is returning to Peiping.

Marzini, who was visiting Jehol over Easter with a party of foreigners, was arrested by Japanese frontier guards at Kupeikow.

It now appears that he was arrested for photographing military barracks and other forbidden objects. — Reuter.

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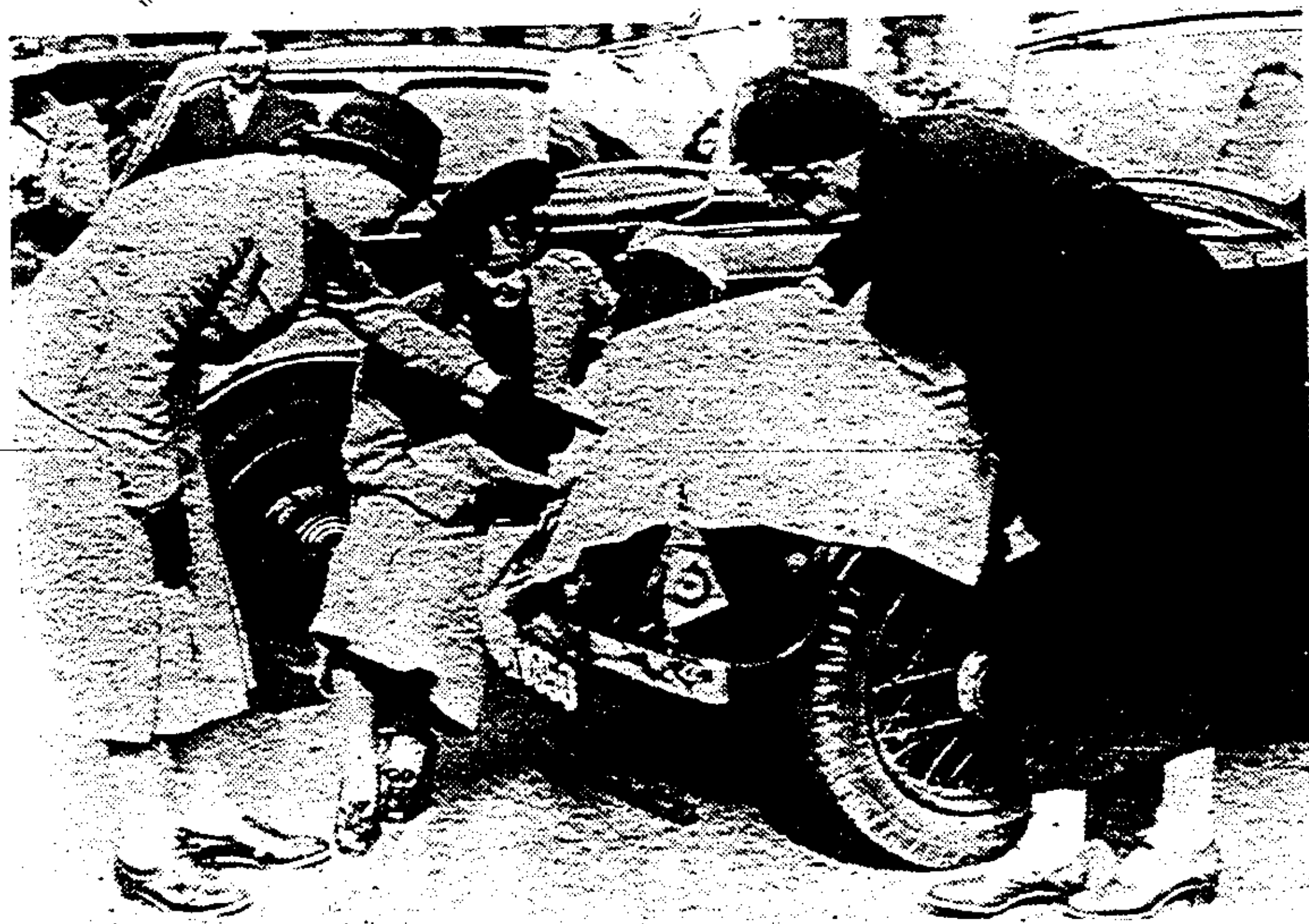
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WOMEN DRIVERS PREPARE FOR WAR-TIME. The first "field-day" of the Women's Legion of Motor Drivers was held on April 4 at the Methodist Church Hall in Owencoline Avenue, Upper Richmond Road, Putney. The members are being trained to be of value in a national emergency. (Copyright: By Air Mail).

FACTORIES IN THE SPECIAL AREAS

London, To-day.

Up to the end of March the Commissioner for the Special Areas had offered contributions towards rent rates and income tax to 43 industrial undertakings with a view to inducing them to establish factories in special areas of England and Wales, and a number of further negotiations were in progress.

At the north-eastern trading estate, near Gateshead, 42 factories have been completed, of which 40 actually are occupied, giving employment to about 1,000 people, and tenants have been obtained for a further 52 factories.

On the South Wales trading estate at Treforest, eight tenants had entered into occupation of their factories and a further nineteen factories were under construction.

In West Cumberland, work on construction of a factory at Milom was begun in March, and reconstruction work on the Cleator mill was proceeding rapidly. Improvement works on Whitehaven Harbour also had been started.

The Commissioner's total commitments at the end of March in

"LE TEMPS" DISCOURAGES BARCELONA

Paris, To-day.

An editorial in "Le Temps" says that the non-intervention policy in Spain must be maintained till the end, and warns the Spanish Government that its protest to Geneva will not have the results which Barcelona expects.

De jure recognition of the Italian Empire by Czecho-Slovakia, the journal says, should be an object lesson for all that mere gestures are completely ineffective in the present situation.

The newspaper concludes: "It is useless to deny that the last phase of the Spanish civil war has already begun, and that the fate of Republican Spain is virtually sealed, particularly as far as Catalonia is concerned, though troops outside this province may continue operations for some time."—Trans-Ocean.

respect of all special areas in England and Wales were approximately £15,442,000. Total expenditure involved, excluding capital brought into the areas by new firms being established on trading estates and elsewhere, was more than £21,000,000.—British Wireless.

ARMY SPORT CONTROL BOARD AND INTER-UNIT SPORTING COMPETITIONS

London, To-day.

The Army Sport Control Board has decided to limit and, in some cases, abandon, inter-unit sporting competitions in all Commands at the end of April.

The decision was taken, a War Office official told Reuter yesterday, because there was a strong tendency for the specialised athlete or regimental gladiator to dominate sport to such an extent that the ordinary soldier had no chance.

This was against the whole idea of Army sport, which aimed at giving the soldier an opportunity of participating in all games.

The official denied press reports that sport interfered with Army work, and added that in fact, it is part and parcel of Army training.

Sport generally would not be curtailed but would be extended to give the ordinary Tommy a chance to partake in games he likes to play.

The decision will not affect major Championships and competitions which have been in force for many years.—Reuter.

MOHAMMEDANS IN POLAND

Warsaw, To-day.

The management of the Mohammedan Religious Union was called upon yesterday by the Volna Vojevode in accordance with the recently promulgated law to take the oath of allegiance to the Polish State required of the clergy of all confessions.

After the administration of the oath, the Polish Mufti in the name of his co-religionists, gave an assurance that they were prepared at any time to do their duty for the welfare of the Polish State.

Polish Mohammedans are descendants of the Tartars brought to Poland hundreds of years ago as prisoners of war and who later settled down in Poland and never returned home.—Trans-Ocean.

BUSY TIME FOR RAILWAYS

London, To-day.

In connexion with the Empire Exhibition at Glasgow, the railway companies have planned special arrangements for dealing with large numbers of visitors from all parts of the country, as well as those from overseas.

In addition to augmented express services from London, providing twenty-two departures in each twenty-four hours, more than 2,500 special trains will be run for excursionists and organised parties estimated to aggregate over one million passengers.—British Wireless.

MUNICH CARDINAL

Rome, To-day.

The Cardinal Archbishop of Munich was received by the Pope yesterday.

It is stated that the Cardinal reported to his Holiness on various aspects of the relationship between the Catholic Church and the German Reich.—Trans-Ocean.

CEYLON IMMIGRATION REPORT

Colombo, To-day.

Opposition to the idea of restricting immigration or compulsory employment of more Ceylonese in certain jobs, is expressed in the Report on Immigration into Ceylon, compiled by Sir Edward Jackson.

Sir Edward had been appointed by the Ceylon Government to investigate the problem.—Reuter.

GALLIPOLI AND ANZAC DAY IN LONDON

London, To-day.

Gallipoli Day and Anzac Day will be commemorated next Monday at the Cenotaph. As Big Ben strikes one, wreaths will be laid in the presence of General Sir Ian Hamilton, who was Commander-in-Chief of the Mediterranean Expeditionary Force.

Field-Marshal Lord Birdwood, supported by Lieutenant-Colonel H. M. Alexander, will lay wreaths on behalf of the British Army, the Indian Army and the Australian Imperial Forces.

General Lelong, the French Military Attaché, and Capitaine de Vaisseau du Tour, the French Naval Attaché, will lay a wreath on behalf of the French Army and the Navy of the Corps Expeditionnaire d'Orient.

A wreath on behalf of the 29th Division will be laid by General Sir Beauvoir de Lisle, while General Sir Ian Hamilton himself, representing the British Empire Service League, will lay a wreath on behalf of all Ex-Servicemen throughout the British Empire.

The High Commissioner for Australia will lay a wreath on behalf of the Government and people of Australia, and the High Commissioner for New Zealand will lay one on behalf of the New Zealand forces.

Other wreaths will be placed on behalf of the Royal Navy, the Royal Naval Division and the Merchant Navy.—British Wireless.

HITLER BIRTHDAY PROMOTION

Shanghai, To-day.

The special Berlin chief of the foreign department of the Reichs Foreign Ministry, Ministerial Councillor Hasenoehtl, formerly foreign commissioner of the Nazi Party and Regional Leader for China, is among those listed for promotion on Herr Hitler's birthday.—Trans-Ocean.

NEGUS TO SWALLOW PRIDE?

May Return To Rule Part Of Abyssinia

BRITAIN BACKING RETURN OF EXILED MONARCH

London, To-day.

The assertion that part of Abyssinia is to be returned to Haile Selassie to rule under Italian protectorate, is made by the "News Review."

The magazine says the question will be discussed during the impending visit of the French Premier and Foreign Minister to London.

BARCELONA DEATH SENTENCES

Barcelona, To-day.

An additional 41 persons have been sentenced to death by the special tribunal on charges of high treason.

The sentences will be carried out subject to confirmation by the Cabinet.—Reuter.

The suggestion, the publication alleges, came from the French Government some time ago, and will probably be one of the items on the agenda of the impending Franco-Italian negotiations in Rome, due to start on Friday.

BRITISH SUPPORT

Newspaper reports suggest that Britain is backing up the proposal that the Negus be allowed to return and rule over some of his former subjects.

However, Haile Selassie has repeatedly rejected Italian overtures, and well-informed quarters are of the opinion that the ex-Emperor will continue his exile in Britain.—Trans-Ocean.



Haile Selassie, exiled Ethiopian Emperor, with his host in England. It is now reported that the Negus may return to Abyssinia as ruler of part of the country.

HITLER PAINTINGS COME TO LIGHT

Budapest, To-day.

Two water-colours painted by Herr Hitler have been found, says a press report.

The paper says that a military engineer, while serving in the Viennese garrison in 1912, bought two water-colours from a firm in the Austrian capital to remind him of military service in Vienna.

Now, the paper alleges, the engineer claims to have discovered that both pictures are signed "Adolf Hitler."—Trans-Ocean.

FRANCO-ITALIAN TALKS

Rome, To-day.

The Franco-Italian negotiations will begin to-morrow (Friday).

The French charge d'affaires, M. Blondel, has not yet received instructions from Paris, but these are expected to arrive to-night.—Trans-Ocean.

GREAT WAR SHELL KILL EIGHT

Milan, To-day.

Eight were killed by a shell found on one of the Great War battlefields in North Italy yesterday.

The shell was of a calibre of 10.5 centimetres, and was found by a group of boys.

Two of the lads were seriously injured.—Trans-Ocean.

CIANO NOT TO VISIT LONDON

Rome, To-day.

Contrary to previous reports, the Foreign Minister, Count Ciano, will not visit London for the time being.

It is officially stated, however, that when the Anglo-Italian Agreement comes into force, such a visit "might seem to be a logical consequence."—Trans-Ocean.

NEW ITALIAN CABLE

Rome, To-day.

Laying of an overseas telephone cable between Sicily and Tripoli began yesterday.

The cable will be 700 kilometres long and when completed, it is claimed, will be the longest telephone cable in the world.—Trans-Ocean.

NAZI OFFICIALS SWORN IN

Berlin, To-day.

Rudolf Hess, Herr Hitler's Deputy, administered the Oath of Allegiance by radio from Munich to 154,647 new political leaders and 451,485 other new Nazi officials yesterday.

Speaking in the Great Square, which was illuminated with 287 flaming pylons commemorating the 287 martyrs movement, Herr Hess administered the oath "I swear unswerving loyalty to Adolf Hitler. I swear unconditional obedience to him and to the leaders he appoints."—Reuter.

DUKE OF WINDSOR

Paris, To-day.

The Duke and Duchess of Windsor left here on Tuesday evening for Cap d'Antibes on the French Riviera where they will remain for some time.—Trans-Ocean.

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Can China Achieve A Military Victory Over Japan?

The following is part of a radio broadcast given over Station XGOK, Canton, by Percy Chen, last night).

This year 1938, opened with the Japanese in control of parts of Shansi of Suiyuan, the greater part of Hopei and Shantung north of the Yellow River. They also held Shanghai and Nanking. Our troops remained within 10 kilometres of the Shanghai Nanking railway and were on the outskirts of Hangchow.

The question facing the Japanese was the true direction of the next blow against our forces. They could either attack in Shansi Province or into Shantung, or along the Yangtze towards Hankow, or they might risk the invasion of South China with a decisive attack upon Canton.

Their waverings were ended for them by the blowing up of all Japanese property in Tsingtao. This was too much for such hot heads like Itagaki and Isogai and they crossed the Yellow River at several points, attacked Tsinan, and advanced to capture Tsingtao. Our forces in Shantung refused battle for either Tsinan or along the Tsingtao-Tsinan Railway, and withdrew to prepared positions around Tsinan. The Shantung forces along the railway withdrew into the mountains south of the railway.

From the south at Pukow, General Matsui tried to push his men northwards to co-operate in the attack upon Hsuechow. He failed. His army was defeated by General Chang Tse Chung at the Hwai River near Pengpu.

It would be well here to recall the failure of Itagaki's plan No. 1. It was attempted in February prior to the offensive in Shansi. According to the "Mechanical mechanised mind" the capture of Hsuechow was to be effected by an advance directly along the Tsinpu Railway. At the same time a mechanized force was to advance from Yenchow through Tsinan in the direction of Kweichow. That Kweichow was 150 miles away from Hsuechow and was therefore an entirely separate operation which could not influence the advance upon Hsuechow did not dawn upon General Itagaki. But as General Itagaki has broken even the elementary principles of military science in all his major operations it is not likely that he would give this much consideration. As we know the Tsinan division failed.

SHANSI TASK

After these defeats the Japanese high Command, under the leadership of General Minami, apparently allowed itself to be talked into

offensive on the extreme right flank, in Shansi, for the purpose of clearing that province of Chinese troops. What a task? The strategic task is a correct one. So long as Chinese troops remain in Shansi the Japanese cannot hold north China. This is an axiom which is clear to even people who are not military. But General Katzuki attempted his task with about 200,000 men over a total frontage of more than 800 miles since he would have to clear our forces from north Shansi, along both sides of the Railway from Tatung to Puchow, as well as the passes and mountains of south-east Shansi, and western Shansi.

Katzuki ordered the advance of the Japanese troops on the railway from Taiyuan to capture Linfen. He himself despatched several divisions from his concentration at Changteh in North Honan. General Doihara with his 14th Division got down to Yuanchiu on the Yellow River. The Japanese 5th Division reached Menghsien on the 5th March. But Puchow was not reached until a week or so later. And with what results?

The offensive had taken two weeks. The Japanese had occupied the railway from Taiyuan to Puchow. They had emerged on the banks of the Yellow River and could look over at the Lunghai Railway, and sometimes shell it. In fact that is what they did for several days at Fenlintu opposite to Tungkwang. But they had not cleared Shansi of Chinese troops.

The 8th Route Army remained with its divisions in Wutai, north east Shansi. Its divisions with General Yen Hsi Shan's also were in the rear of the Japanese in south-east Shansi. They were also in west Shansi. There was no strategic gain.

The Japanese tried to cross the Yellow River at Szeshui. They seemed to aim at cutting the Lunghai railway. Several hundreds crossed. They were rounded up and annihilated. More crossed over. So the dykes were cut by the Chinese command and the invaders were drowned. No more attempts were made to cross.

To carry out this offensive in Shansi the Japanese had transferred troops from the Tsinpu Railway section in Shantung. Taking advantage of this our troops were able to consolidate their positions south of Tsinan and prepared a counter-offensive. Alarmed at this the Japanese pretended to be aiming at crossing the Yellow River opposite to Kaifeng. From Gengkui, 60 miles north of Kaifeng General Katzuki launched his men through our guerilla infested regions and came to the north bank of the Yellow River opposite Kaifeng. We probably assembled men to meet this attempt to cross. But that did not prevent us from also concentrating men in South west Shansi, at Pinglu, at Menghsien, and other places and drive the Japanese back at Chihhsien, and Anyi. We also re-occupied the towns of Licheng, 100 miles north-west of Changteh, and Linhsien 50 miles west of Changteh. In this way the pressure was lessened on Tungkwang and by menacing Changteh we forced General Katzuki to return to his headquarters at Shihchiachwan, a more cautious man and less inclined to listen to the scatter brained schemes of Messrs. Doihara, Itagaki and Isogai.

IN SHANTUNG

On the Shantung front the successes both of our regular and guerilla troops gave General Minami in Korea some anxious moments. We were cutting the railway in many places. The roads through the mountains were under the dominance of our guerillas and we were advancing to recapture Ningwang, Tsinan and Yenchow.

In addition, at Lini we had inflicted a severe defeat upon Japanese troops operating from Tsingtao. They lost 4,000 men in a decisive battle. At Feihhsien our defence positions continued to hold up the Japanese forces which trying to link up with those attacking Lini. In the works we had defeated the attempts of the Japanese to advance to other Lunghai railway east of Hsuechow via Lini. On the Tsinpu itself the Japanese advance had reached Lincheng which is the junction of a railway branch line which runs east and then curves to join the Lunghai via Yihhsien-Taierschwang-Yuenho.

It was then probably that "upspoke General Itagaki." The Japanese strategy was clear, and so was Itagaki's plan No. 2.

In March the Katzuki-Doihara offensive in Shansi also failed. So in April Itagaki's No 2 Plan began to unfold itself.

Since the defeat at Lini rendered an outflanking movement impossible between Hsuechow and the sea, Itagaki probably suggested that the advance along the Tsinpu railway be continued and pushed with all available forces. At the same time he would lead one of his "mechanized columns" along the branch line from Lincheng through Yihhsien and Taierschwang and reach the Lunghai railway at Luenho. From thence he would turn westwards and attack Hsuechow from the east simultaneously with the advancing forces from the north along the Tsinpu mainline. The advance under General Isogai along the Tsinpu was pushed at great speed and sacrifice by the Japanese. Itagaki pushed his mechanized force along the branch railway. Isogai reached Hanchwang, 40 miles north of Hsuechow and there came to a stop. He was opposed by impenetrable Chinese defences.

Itagaki reached Taierschwang on the 4th April—and the Japanese spokesman in Shanghai announced "The capture of Hsuechow is now only a matter of days!"

MECHANICAL MIND

A mechanical mind is not too good in a general. How was it that the veteran General Minami in far away Korea failed to see that Isogai was driving his tired men onwards across the entire front of the Chinese lines. It is true that he was advancing southwards along the Tsinpu Railway. But the Chinese forces were not falling back along the railway. They were opening up their lines and falling back on either side of the railway so that any counter advance they made was aimed at chopping the railway in as many places as possible. Between the 4th April and the 14th April the entire railway line between Yenchow and Hanchwang was subjected to constant attack by Chinese regular and guerilla troops. The regulars operated from west of the railway and the guerillas from the mountains east of the railway.

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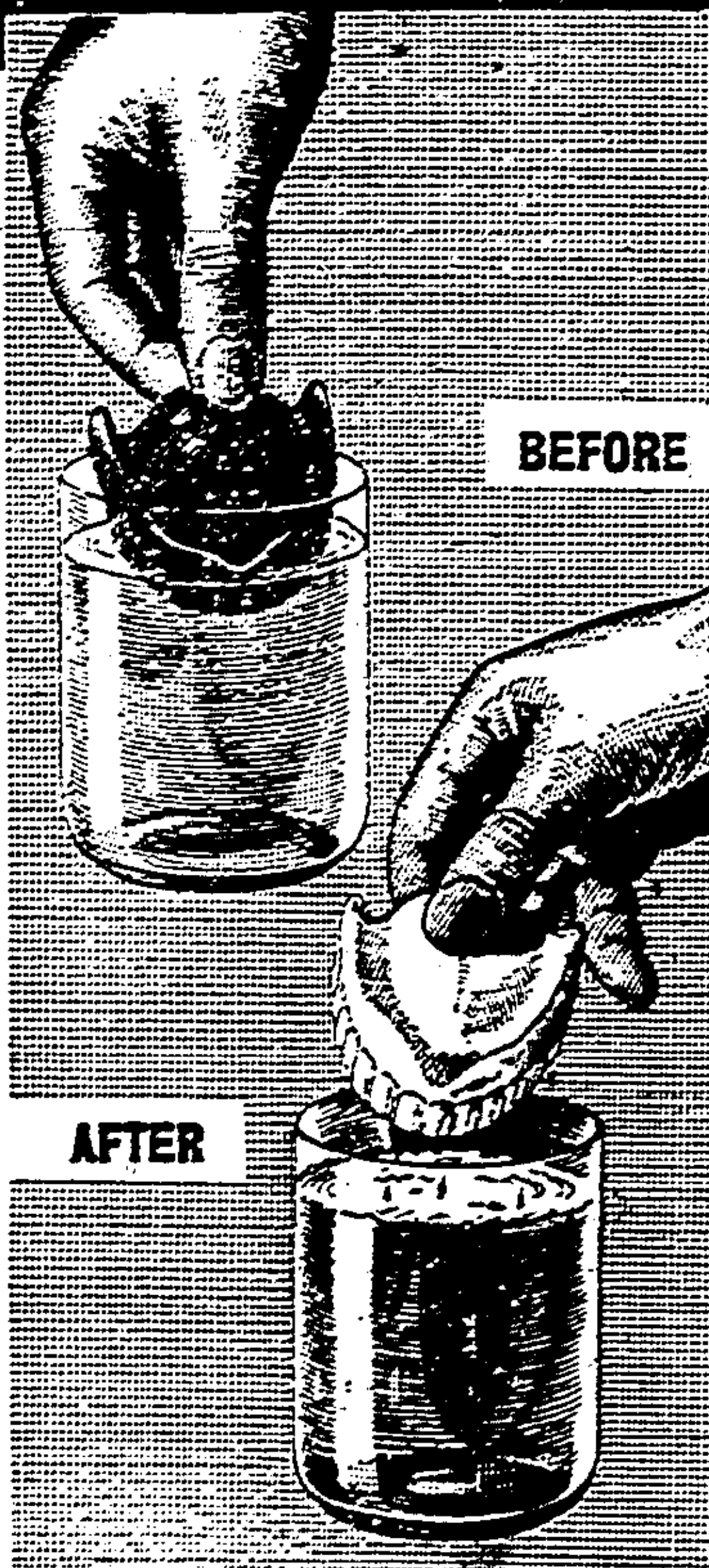
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Washington, To-day.

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Nevertheless, there are indications that every ounce of tact and circumspection will be required if the British mission is to have the success hoped for.

Direct American aid for British rearmament will painfully recall the days of 1916 to many in Washington, and "kid glove" handling will be called for both by the State Department and the British Air Ministry.

The isolationist bloc in Congress is still powerful, particularly in the Senate, and on May 28 the National Anti-War Congress will meet in Washington.

BACK IN 1916

At the conference, many speakers will take the line that the United States neutrality is already being undermined by foreign propaganda and the efforts of the European Democracies to enlist American aid in the event of a war against Fascism.

Recent speeches in Congress have repeatedly made the point that "We are back in 1916, and material and spiritual pull is again being exerted to line us up in another war for Democracy."

The sale of a large number of warplanes to Britain will certainly be pounced on by the isolationists as perfect campaign material. — Reuter.

EXPERTS LEAVE

London, To-day.

The Air Ministry announces that a party of experts left by the "Queen Mary" yesterday to undertake, on behalf of the Ministry, certain exploratory enquiries in the United States and Canada as foreshadowed in the statement by the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster in the House of Commons recently.

Members of the party are Mr. J. G. Weir, Air Commodore A. D. Harris, Commander C. John, Squadron Leader C. E. Horrex and Mr. F. Rowarth.—British Wireless.

KING AND QUEEN

London, To-day.

The King and Queen motored from Windsor Castle yesterday morning to Laverstoke, in Hampshire, to see the paper mills where paper is made for Bank of England notes.—British Wireless.

FRENCH AIR FORCE DISASTER

Paris, To-day.

All five occupants were killed when a French heavy bomber crashed during manoeuvres by the air force at Bron, near Lyons, yesterday.

The bomber's wing tip touched another machine and the plane fell to the ground out of control. The other machine was not damaged.—Trans-Ocean.

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The regulars crossed the lake west of the railway in many places and the attack upon Lincheng was launched from three sides. Isogai found himself cut off from his base and had to make plans for retreating across country.

What of Itagaki, that creator of misguided Plans? Arrived at Taierschwang after hard fighting with his troops disorganised he was surprised to find that instead of outflanking the Chinese line that he was in turn out-flanked by overwhelming Chinese forces. At the same time he was pinned to Taierschwang and surrounded. Any subaltern would be able to state the mistakes made by Itagaki. But that does not detract from the glory of the Victory, and the convincing proof of the superiority of Chinese strategy over Japanese. Itagaki came on blindly, it was as tho' he had no air-planes. And from right and left came Chinese who gave no quarter. Taierschwang has definitely proved that there is every reason to expect that China will achieve a military victory over the Japanese invaders. The Japanese put their best men in the field under their best Generals. And this did not prove good enough to stave off defeat.

It must have been an hour sweet in revenge when General Tang En



A 350 miles an hour car shaped like a dart which has been built in secret was on view on April 5 for the first time. It is the new Ralston car built for Mr. John Cobb and designed to attack the world's land speed record. Photo shows—Mr. John Cobb (right) the challenger with Capt. Eyston, the present record holder, photographed together at Brooklands, looking over the new car. (Copyright: By Air Mail).

CLOSING THE OPEN DOOR IN CHINA

Washington, To-day.

The Under-Secretary of State, Mr. Sumner Welles, declared yesterday that the State Department is giving fullest consideration to reports that Japan is "closing the open door" in China. — Reuter.

Peh saw Itagaki's mechanized units lying by the wayside; tanks, armoured cars, artillery and other impedimenta, and the Japanese soldiers in full flight with their gallant commander at their head. It was at Nankow Pass in the opening days of the war that Itagaki caused the 29th Division (commander by Tang En-peh) to withdraw into the mountains of Shansi. In those days the 29th did not have an anti-tank gun to the whole division. At Taierschwang and Yih sien Itagaki's tanks were powerless against the fire of our guns.

At the assault of Taiyuan General Fu Tso Yi was reported to be directing the defence of the city. General Itagaki, in one of his generous moments, told the press "Only if General Fu Tso Yi's body is found in Taiyuan shall I concede that he is a brave man." We have not read that General Itagaki's body has been found in Taierschwang.

ARMY RECRUITS

London, To-day.

Regular Army recruits from the London area last week number 79, an increase of 28 over Easter week last year.—British Wireless.

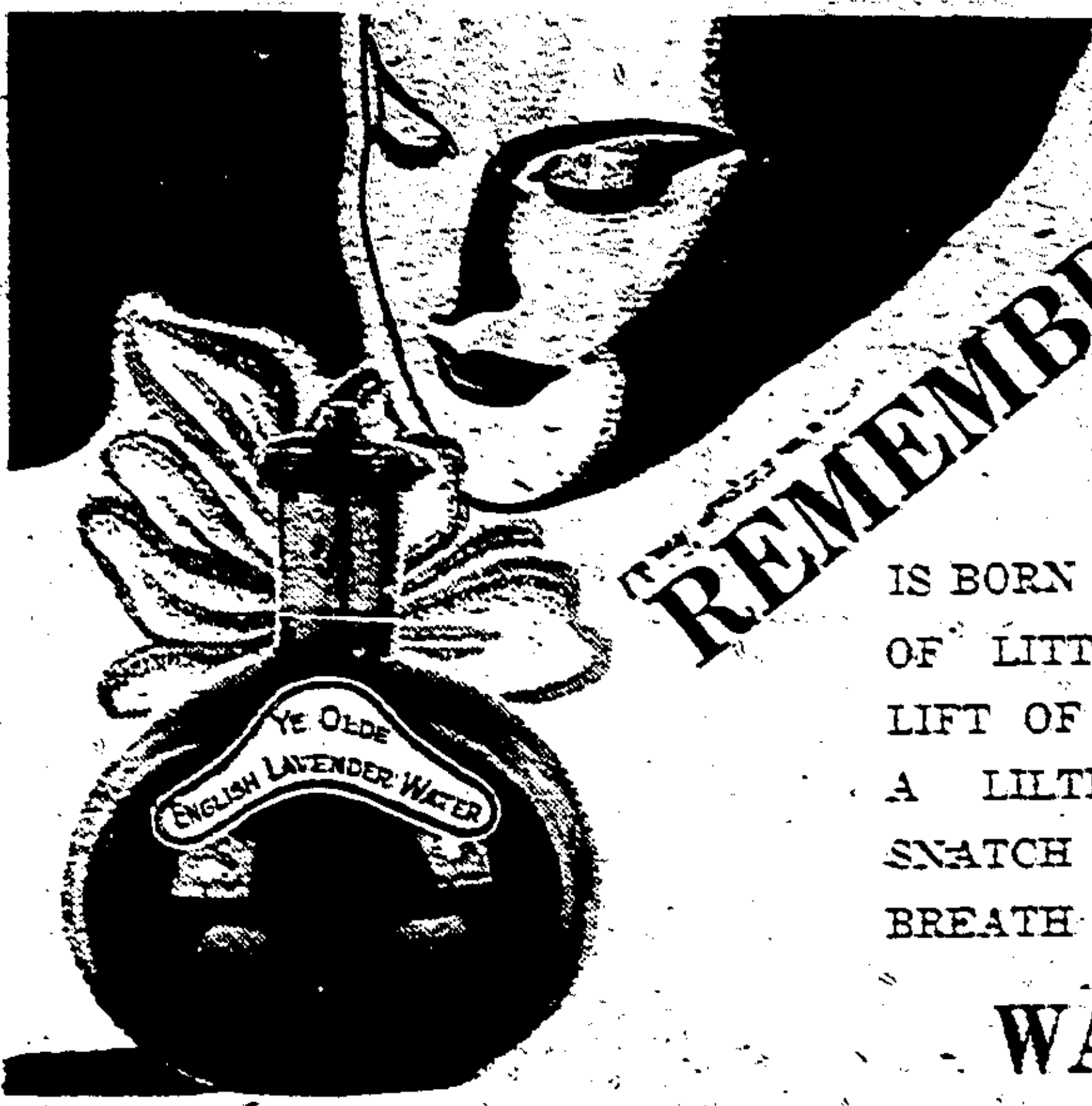
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FAIR RENTS

Acceptance by Government of the recommendations of the Rents Commission was a foregone conclusion having regard to the strength of the case made out by and for the landlords. On such a Report it was impossible to find otherwise than that hardships, if any, were not being imposed on so wide a scale as to justify immediate legislative action in the matter of rent restriction. The mere fact that those in close touch with community life have not attempted to soft-soap the Commission but have made plain their view that the Rents Report does not by any means present a true or complete picture of the housing problem seems not to be very material just now. It has to be admitted that Government is right this far: that the Report failed to disclose any real case for the tenants, and that if this failure was due to the refusal of tenants to submit their complaints to the Commission, they have only themselves to blame.

Whether, however, it is altogether comforting to sit back in the reflection that Government is keeping a "close watch" on the situation is quite another matter. One of the most justified criticisms of the Commission's Report is its failure to give due attention to the issue of evictions without cause. Cases of this kind are cropping up with increasing frequency and genuine hardships have been revealed. The resistance arises not because the tenant does not wish to leave, but because he cannot find anywhere else to go — unless Government would recommend him to go bidding over the head of another tenant elsewhere and so perpetuate the process of victimisation. The Commission refused to discuss prohibition of eviction without cause seriously. It tried to argue that the landlord could always raise his rent to completely prohibitive levels and find cause in the refusal of the tenant to pay. The Commission ventured only two suggestions for dealing with the rents question, rent restriction and the building of new tenements. A third alternative, which offers a measure of control of rents fluctuation without arbitrary legislation as well as a means of prevention of eviction without cause was not as far as we can find in a thorough study of the Report, considered for a moment. This was the passing suggestion made in our previous comment on the Report, the establishment of a judicial tribunal, a Fair Rents

Court or an Evictions Court, which would protect the tenant against the rapacious landlord while ensuring the good landlord of fair treatment. Its principal duty would be to assess a fair standard rent on premises coming within its purview and prevent eviction (except for very special reasons leaving no option) where the tenant was willing to meet the standard rent thus fixed. Its existence would not necessarily mean a rush of housing litigation: rather we think that knowledge that such a tribunal was open to tenants would act as a curb on the bad landlords, some of whom are, according to our information, already acting on the Commission's Report and even ignoring the formality of statutory notice. It is of no value to instruct the tenant that he may insist upon his legal rights when over him hangs the threat of an eviction notice if he ventures to quibble over "trifles." The Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith ventured the statement yesterday that the abnormal increase in the population of the Colony is the chief factor in the situation which called for the appointment of the Commission. That may be true up to a point. We do, nevertheless, quite seriously suggest that the need for closest watch now is on the results of the publication of the Commission's Report.

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Rent Policy in Britain

The Home Government is playing for safety in its handling of rent restriction. It has accepted part, but only part, of the recommendations of the majority of the Ridley Committee. The most important part it shelves and passes on to yet another committee! This is fully in the spirit of all Governmental dealings with rent restriction, but it is none the worse for that. The Government would have been extremely ill-advised had it accepted the elaborate but unfair procedure which the majority report laid down. What the Bill will do, therefore, will be to take control away from all the remaining controlled houses (except those occupied by two families and more) with a yearly value (in 1931) exceeding £35 in Scotland and £20 in the rest of the country. This will add about 450,000 of the larger type of houses to the total of 5,950,000 houses now not under control. There will remain 4,250,000 controlled houses. The majority of the Ridley Committee suggested that after 1940 decontrol should be applied to these over a period of years by a sliding scale moving with the fall in the percentage of overcrowding. The two Liberal members condemned this as being based on a wrong principle, and the Labour minority report was still more outspoken. The Government pays its Conservative friends of the majority the compliment of agreeing that decontrol, when it comes, should be progressive and should be related to areas and determined in the light of local conditions. It concedes that the state of overcrowding may be an "important factor," but refuses to make it the sole test—a highly sensible decision, since, as everybody admits, the overcrowding standard of the Ministry of Health is grossly low. Whether the new inquiry, when it comes, will be any more successful remains to be seen, but at least the Government has gained time and spared itself a political storm.

CHINESE HOLD ON IN LINYI SECTOR

Heavy Street Fighting In Northern Suburbs

ANOTHER TAIERCHWANG BATTLE?

Hankow, To-day.

Should the Japanese break through on the Linyi sector, state Chinese military headquarters here, there would be another major battle in the Taierchwang area.

Sanguinary street fighting is progressing at the north and west gates of Linyi, where a Chinese battalion is furiously attempting to drive out the detachment of Japanese which entered the city through a breach in the wall made by artillery yesterday afternoon.

After a series of assaults on the Chinese positions at Shuitien, outside the west gate, Japanese artillery concentrated on shelling the west and north gates, and soon a breach was made, allowing a detachment of Japanese troops to enter Linyi.

NOT PERTURBED

The Chinese forces are desperately trying to close the breach and are engaging the detachment inside the north and west gates, being aided by their comrades stationed south of Linyi, who joined in the battle while the Chinese left is moving eastward from the west bank of the Yi River and is attacking the Japanese right, north-west of Linyi.

Chinese military quarters here are not perturbed by developments at Linyi, pointing out that the Japanese are using two and a half divisions. — Reuter.

AMBASSADORS' CONFERENCE IN HANKOW

Hankow, To-day.

An Ambassadorial Conference between the envoys of Britain, France, representatives of the American Embassy and the Chinese Central Government, it is reported, will be held here before the end of this month.

The Conference was predicted soon after the British Ambassador left Shanghai to present his credentials to President Lin Sen at Chungking.

The French Ambassador to China stated on his arrival in Hong Kong from Shanghai that he was not going to Hankow, but it now reliably learned that he will arrive here next Monday by plane. — Our Own Correspondent.

Gallant Break Through By Chinese Detachment

Hankow, To-day.

Chinese headquarters here admit that Japanese troops yesterday morning succeeded in entering the northern part of the town of Lingyi, in Shantung.

Heavy fighting is said to be still in progress in the streets.

Other reports declare that huge Chinese reinforcements have been rushed to this sector, and that one of the Chinese detachments succeeded in breaking through the Japanese lines in the western part of the front.

The Chinese say this detachment can now attack the Japanese in the rear, so that it appears doubtful whether the Japanese will be able to hold their lines. — Trans-Ocean.

Hankow, To-day.

It is officially announced here that the Japanese communique issued in Shanghai claiming the entire occupation of Lingyi, is without foundation. Chinese troops being still in the town from where military despatches are being filed.

It is said that the Japanese gained a foothold at one of the gates of the town yesterday but were driven off by a fierce Chinese counter-attack later in the afternoon.

However, Japanese reinforcements are reported to have made contact with the Japanese investing Lingyi and a violent offensive is expected to-day.

This morning, however, the city was still in the hands of the Chinese. — Our Own Correspondent.

CHINESE COUNTER ATTACK

Hankow, To-day.

Taking the offensive early this morning two Chinese columns are reported to be striking out at the Japanese investing troops from the North-west and south-west of Lingyi.

A fierce battle is now raging around Lingyi. — Our Own Correspondent.

CANTON'S QUIET DAY

Canton, To-day.

No air-raid alarms were sounded throughout yesterday but according to vernacular reports, a Japanese warship appeared in the vicinity of Bocca Tigris in the afternoon and shelled the forts.

All missiles, however, fell short of their aim, resulting in no damage or loss of life. — Our Own Correspondent.

FRENCH ACTION AGAINST FOREIGNERS

Paris, To-day.

The long promised measure to tighten up control of foreigners (a question which has been agitating France since the cagouards became active) has just been announced.

It provides for strong instructions to the Prefects of all Departments to enforce a stricter watch, especially with the aim of reducing espionage; thorough police examination of all suspected aliens; and establishment of a ministerial commission to co-ordinate control and expulsion of aliens effectively and speedily.

As a result of the gradual tightening up of control, 220 aliens were deported last week. — Reuter.

Trans-Ocean adds that the expelled persons were given papers for "voluntary departure," with the warning that compulsion would be used if they did not leave France within the specified period.

AYRSHIRE MINING ACCIDENT

London, To-day.

Twenty-two were injured, fourteen of them seriously, when six wagons in a coal mine in Ayrshire broke away from the haulage rope and crashed down the mine road.

Out of 24 men who were being hauled up the road, only two escaped injury. — Reuter.

HIGHER WAGES IN BRITAIN

London, To-day.

A survey by the Ministry of Labour shows that during 1937 there was a marked rise in the general level of wage rates.

The number of workers whose wages were increased and the total amount of the increase, were greater than in any year since 1920.

There was an aggregate net increase estimated at £788 in weekly fulltime rates of 25,161,000 workers.

In all industries, including agriculture, the average level is estimated to have risen by over 4 per cent. — British Wireless.

GRETNNA GREEN TO LIVE ANOTHER YEAR

London, To-day.

The romantic activity of the "Smith of Gretna Green" will be preserved for another year.

This follows the announcement yesterday that the Scotch Marriage Bill will be introduced not in the present session of Parliament, as had been intended, but will be postponed to next year.

Originally the law was to go into force on January 1. — Trans-Ocean.

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Franco Troops Salute French Frontier Guards

Pont du Roi, To-day.

The vanguard of the insurgent Navarre Division yesterday reached the frontier town of Pont du Roi, where thousands of Government militia-men have entered French territory in the past few days.

The commander of the 5th Navarre Battalion exchanged salutes with the commander of the French frontier guards. The insurgent troops gave cheers for General Franco and France.

Spanish Republican troops lost the fight for Aran Valley before it was actually begun, according to the reports of French war correspondents.

The Government had planned to fortify the valley, but the insurgents captured several dominating positions before anything could be done.

The insurgents here are now only ten kilometres from the French Pyrenees frontier.

MILITIAMEN REFUGEES

Several thousand Spanish militia-men crossed the frontier into France yesterday almost collapsing with fatigue and covered with mud.

Conforming with their usual custom, the French authorities immediately despatched the men back to Spain, to loyalist or insurgent territory as they wished.

Meanwhile the fight for Tortosa is still in progress, with heavy casualties being inflicted on both sides.

The Ebro Estuary is stated by military experts to be a serious obstacle to the insurgent advance. The river is too wide for pontoon bridges to be constructed, and the Republicans have mounted many machine-gun posts commanding the broad reaches of the river.—Trans-Ocean.

POWER CUT OFF

Paris, To-day.

That the supply of electric current to Barcelona from Andorra, the tiny Republic in the Pyrenees, should be temporarily suspended, was decided yesterday by the directorate of the power company to which the power station in Andorra belongs, and whose head office is in Paris.

Workmen at the power station protested at first but later agreed to cut off the current.—Trans-Ocean.

LION CUB BIRTHDAY GIFT FOR HITLER

Berlin, To-day.

Herr Hitler, who yesterday celebrated his forty-ninth birthday, was the recipient of a large number of presents and messages of congratulation from all parts of the world. Among the presents received were gramophone records of all his speeches in connexion with the anschluss, a gift from the Propaganda Minister, Dr. Joseph Goebbels, and a lion cub in a box, the gift of the Minister of Interior, Dr. Frick.

The Fuehrer bestowed a number of birthday honours on Germans and Austrians in connexion with the anschluss.—Reuter.

NAVY MODEL

Berlin, To-day.

All Germany yesterday celebrated Herr Hitler's birthday.

The Fuehrer received an enthusiastic welcome in Berlin, where his personal adjutants were the first to congratulate him. They presented him with a model display of the entire German Navy.

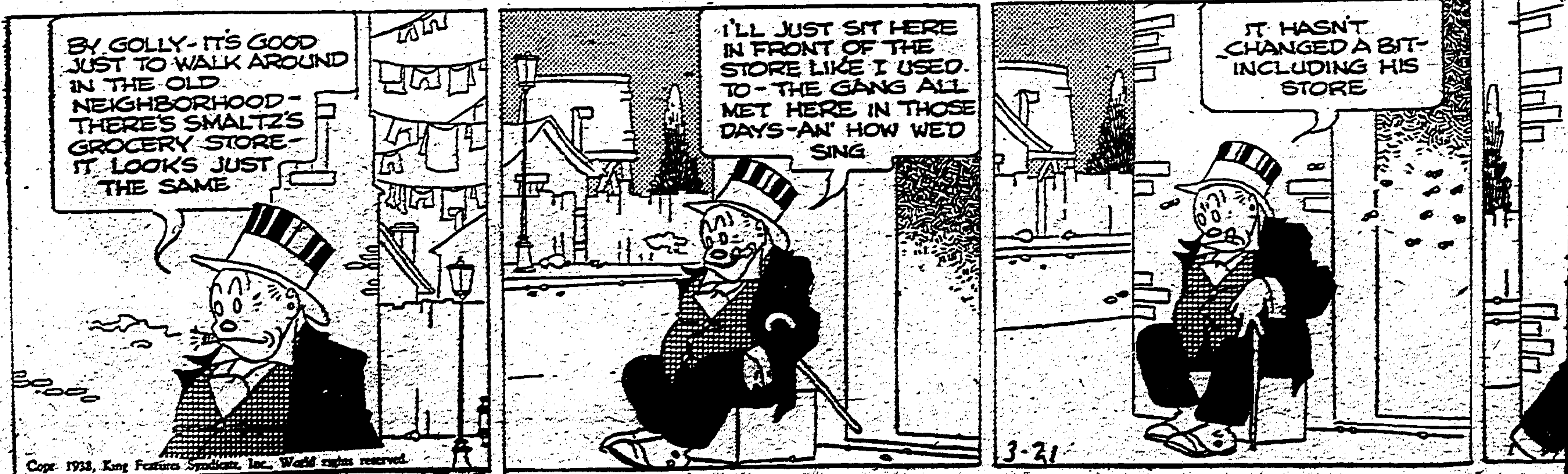
In Austria, a huge fiery Swastika was planted by a group of Nazi youths on the summit of Gross Glockner, Germany's highest mountain.—Trans-Ocean.

BROADBENT

Jodhpur, To-day.

The Australian airman, Harry Broadbent, left at 9 p.m. (local time) 4.30 p.m. (B.S.T.), continuing his attempt to lower the England-New Zealand solo record.

It is understood that Broadbent proposes to fly non-stop to Basra, a distance of 1,720 miles.—Reuter.

Bringing Up Father

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ANIMALS OF THE ARK. On Sexagesima Sunday the boys of the Heritage Craft Schools Choir, many of whom are cripples, observed the custom of carrying the Noah's Ark characters into church for a service. (Copyright).

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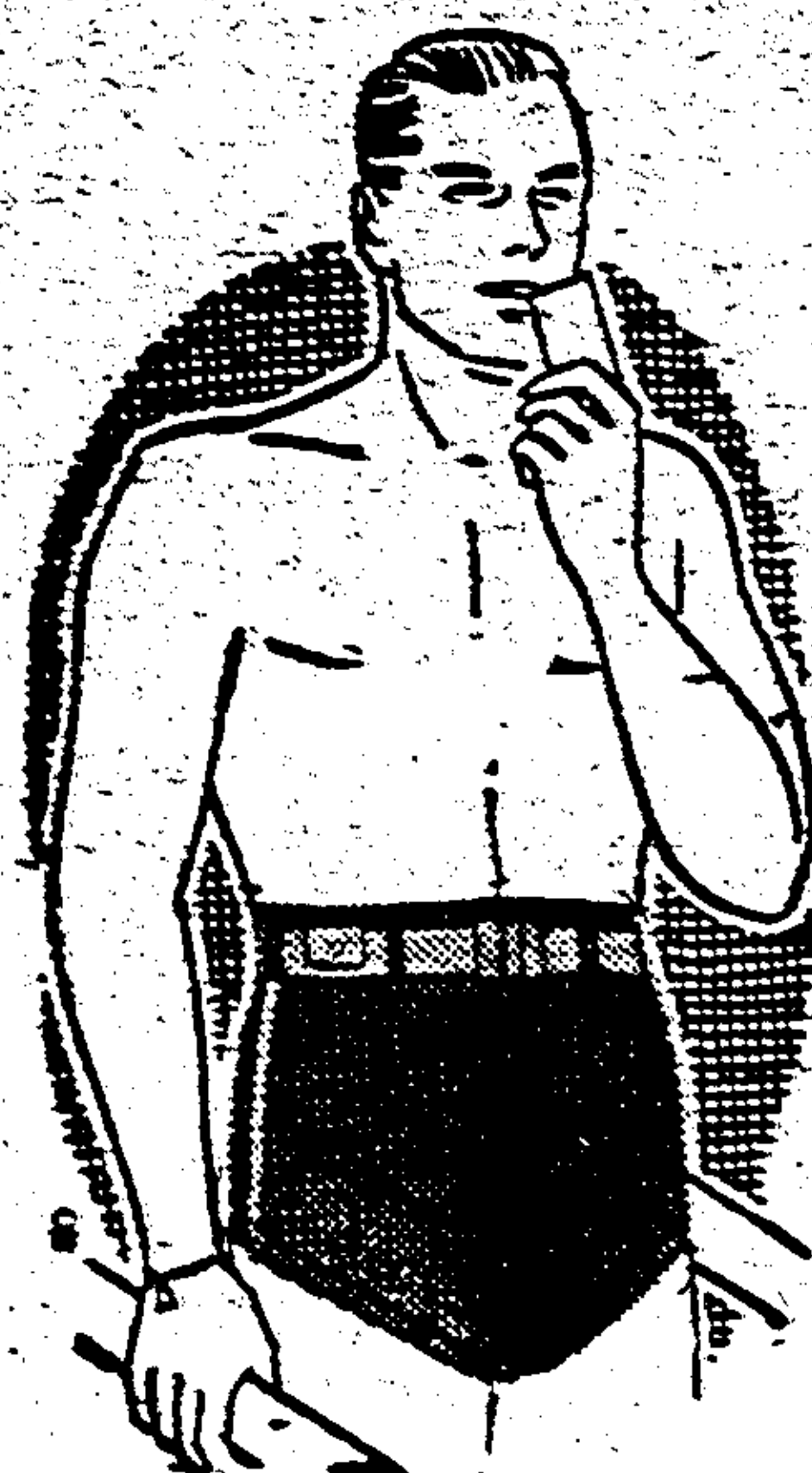
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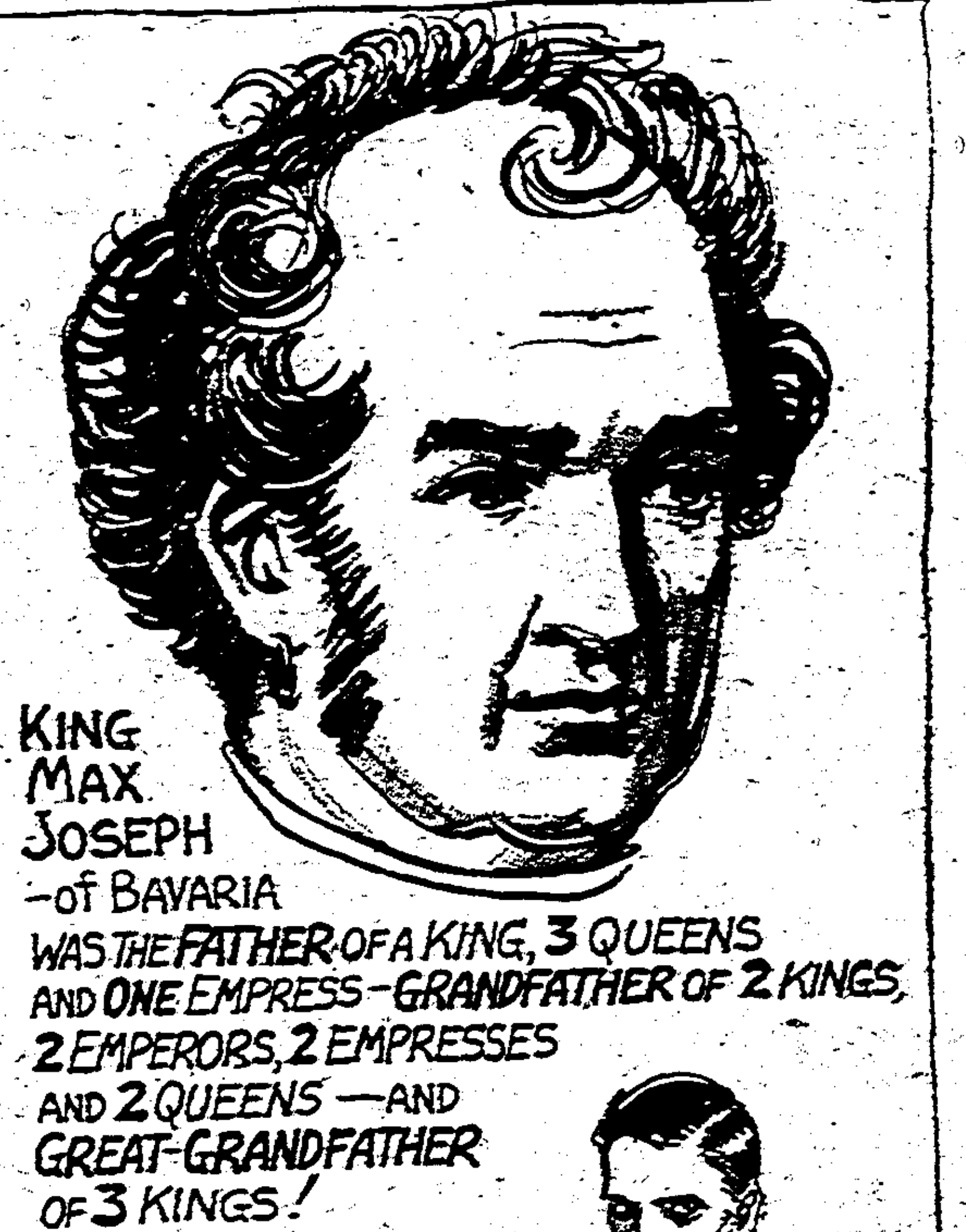
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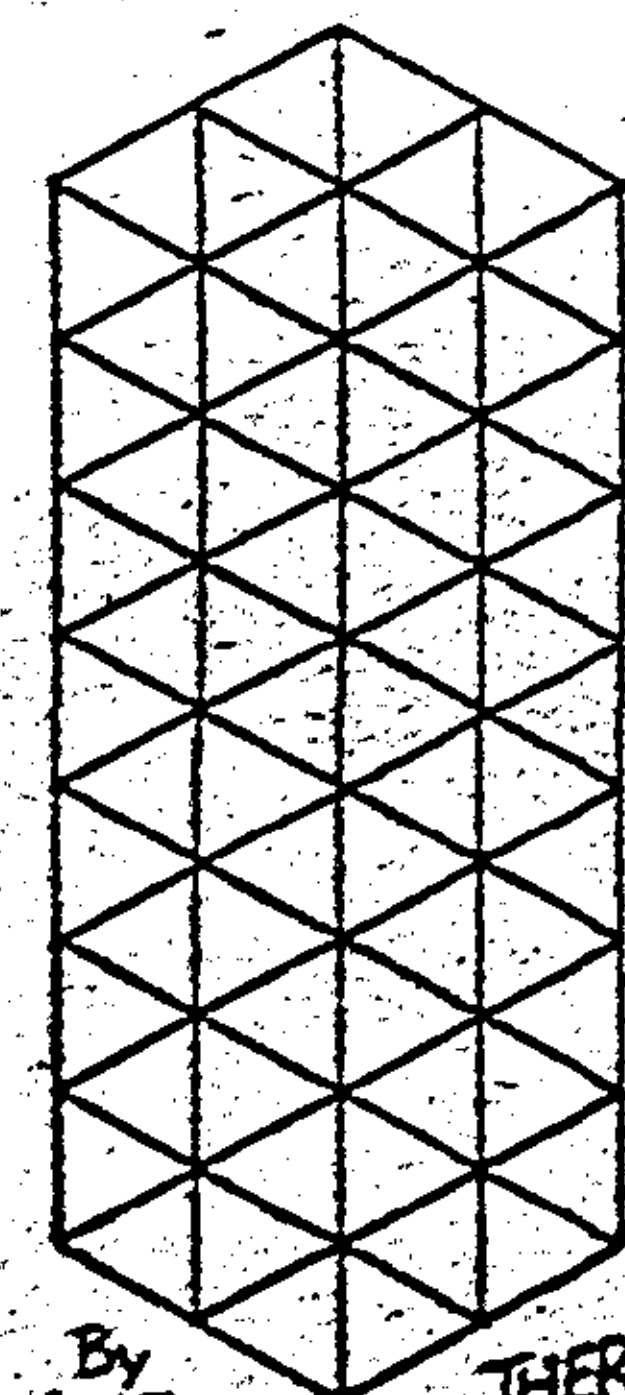
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*BURDWAN.....	6,000	13th May	Shanghai & Japan.
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Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 17th April.....	Imperial Airways Plane.....	April 22.
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Air Mail for "K.L.M. Airways Direct Service"—due Amsterdam, 1st May.	Buenos-Aires Maru.....	Thurs., April 21, G.P.O. and K.P.O.
	Reg.,.....	April 21, 1.30 p.m.
	Ord.,.....	April 21, 2 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, E. & S. Africa	Buenos-Aires Maru.....	April 21, 2.30 p.m.
Bangkok.....	Proteus.....	April 21, 4.30 p.m.
Japan and *Europe via Siberia.....	Kamo Maru.....	April 21, 5 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 28th April.	Imperial Airways Plane.....	April 21, G.P.O. and K.P.O.
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	Parcels.....	April 20, 5 p.m.
	Reg.,.....	April 21, 8.45 a.m.
	Ord.,.....	April 21, 9.30 a.m.
Shanghai.....	Bertram Rickmers.....	April 22, 3 p.m.
Samsui and Wuchow.....	Chung On.....	April 22, 8.15 a.m.
Kongmoon.....	On Lee.....	April 22, 10 a.m.
*Straits and Calcutta.....	Yuen Sang.....	Fri., April 22, G.P.O. and K.P.O.
	Par.,.....	April 22, 11 a.m.
	Ord.,.....	April 22, Noon.
Swatow, Shanghai and Tientsin.....	Tingsang.....	April 22, 12.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow.....	Seistan.....	April 22, 3 p.m.
Air Mail for "K.L.M. Airways Direct Service"—due Amsterdam, 3rd May.	Haruma Maru.....	Fri., April 22, G.P.O. and K.P.O.
	Reg.,.....	April 22, 4 p.m.
	Ord.,.....	April 22, 4.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 21st May.	Haruma Maru.....	Fri., April 22, G.P.O. and K.P.O.
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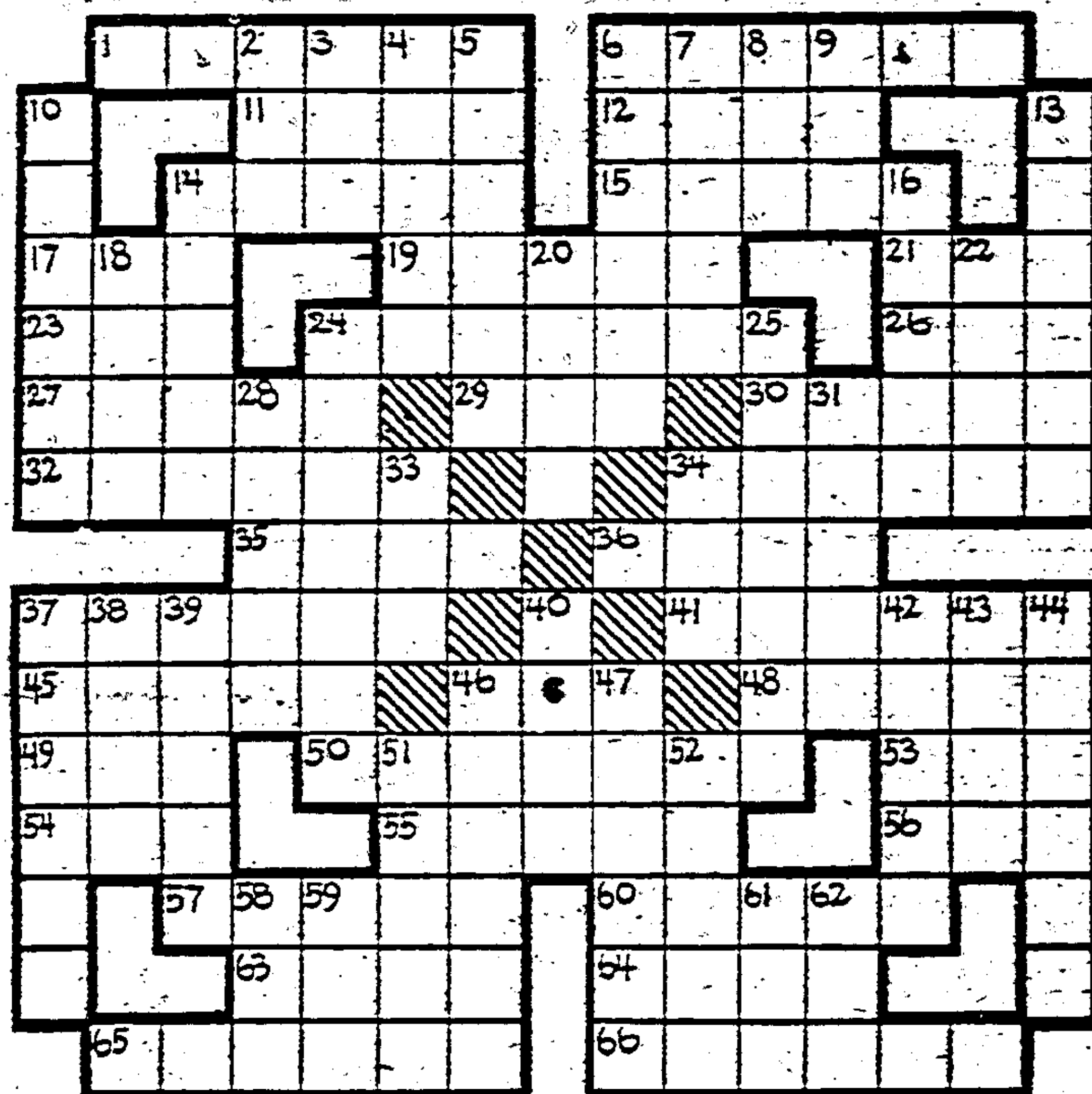
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- 11—Solitary
- 12—Land measure
- 14—More lucid
- 15—Stains
- 17—High card
- 19—Large sea-duck
- 21—Device for changing motion
- 28—Anger
- 24—Drug to contract pupil of the eye
- 26—Sash worn by Japanese women
- 27—Kingdom between Tibet and India
- 29—Male descendant
- 30—The nostrils
- 32—Examined
- 34—Serves sparingly
- 35—Ought (Scot.)
- 36—Listen
- 37—Slopes
- 41—Gives pleasure to
- 45—An affray
- 46—American poet
- 48—Prussian city
- 49—Superlative suffix

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 50—Fancied
- 53—Prefix. Before
- 54—Corroded
- 55—Made a mistake
- 56—A compass point (abbr.)
- 57—Cook in an oven
- 60—Ascended
- 63—An accessory seed covering
- 64—Radiate light
- 65—The science that treats of plants
- 66—Eel fishermen

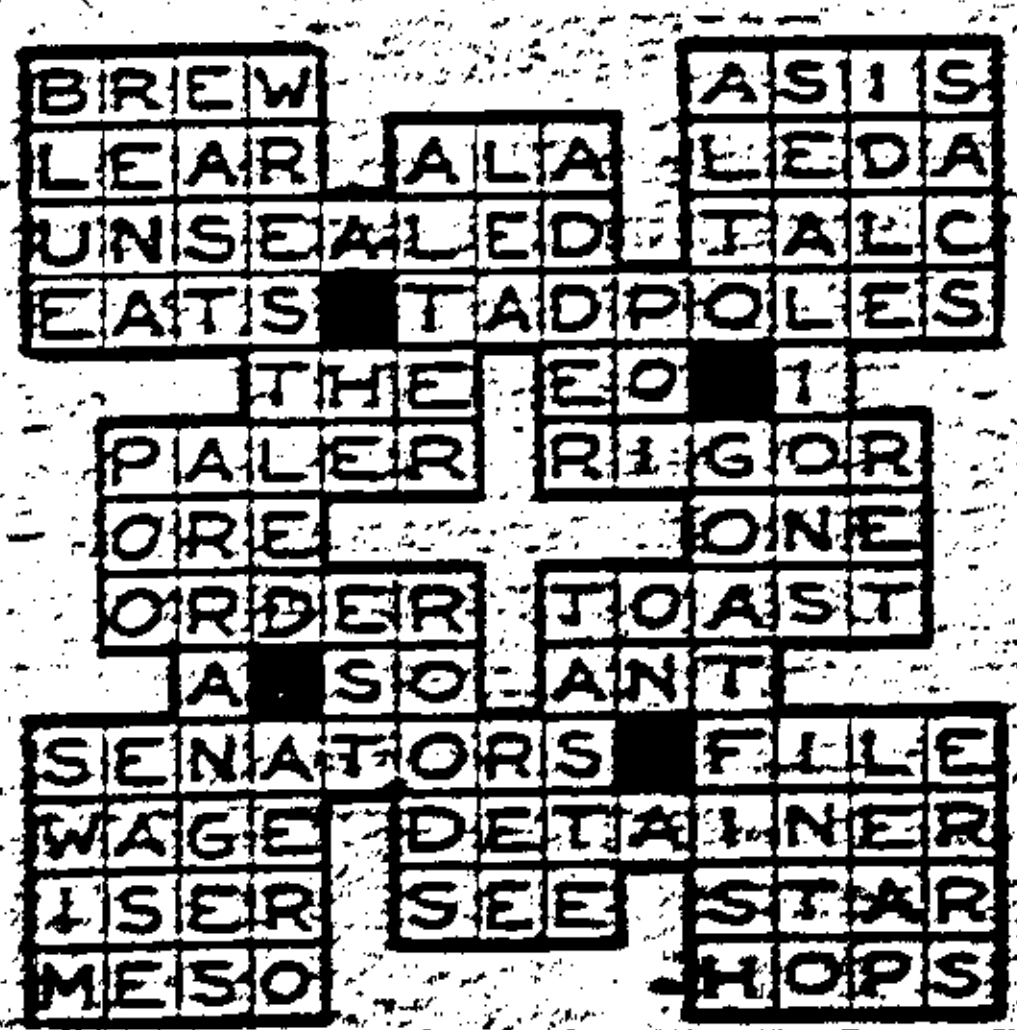
VERTICAL

- 2—The armpit
- 3—Peruse
- 4—Part of the legs
- 5—Connected succession
- 6—The principal ingredient in cheese
- 7—Fruit of the oak
- 8—Prefix. Thrice
- 9—A fish
- 10—Fanciful

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 13—Dilatory
- 14—Percolates
- 16—Derision
- 18—An Indian
- 20—Let fall
- 22—Assist
- 24—Chosen
- 25—Penetrated
- 28—Make reparation
- 31—Military assistants
- 33—Deadheads (abbr.)
- 34—Appoint
- 37—Stains
- 38—For fear that
- 39—Change the form of
- 40—Howl
- 42—Shade tree
- 43—Gull-like bird
- 44—Scoffs
- 46—In a saucy manner
- 47—Come forth
- 51—Product of the pine tree
- 52—Magistrate of ancient Rome
- 58—A grain
- 59—A constellation
- 61—The sun
- 62—Female sheep

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JAPAN PORTS	Havana Maru	Fri.	6th May
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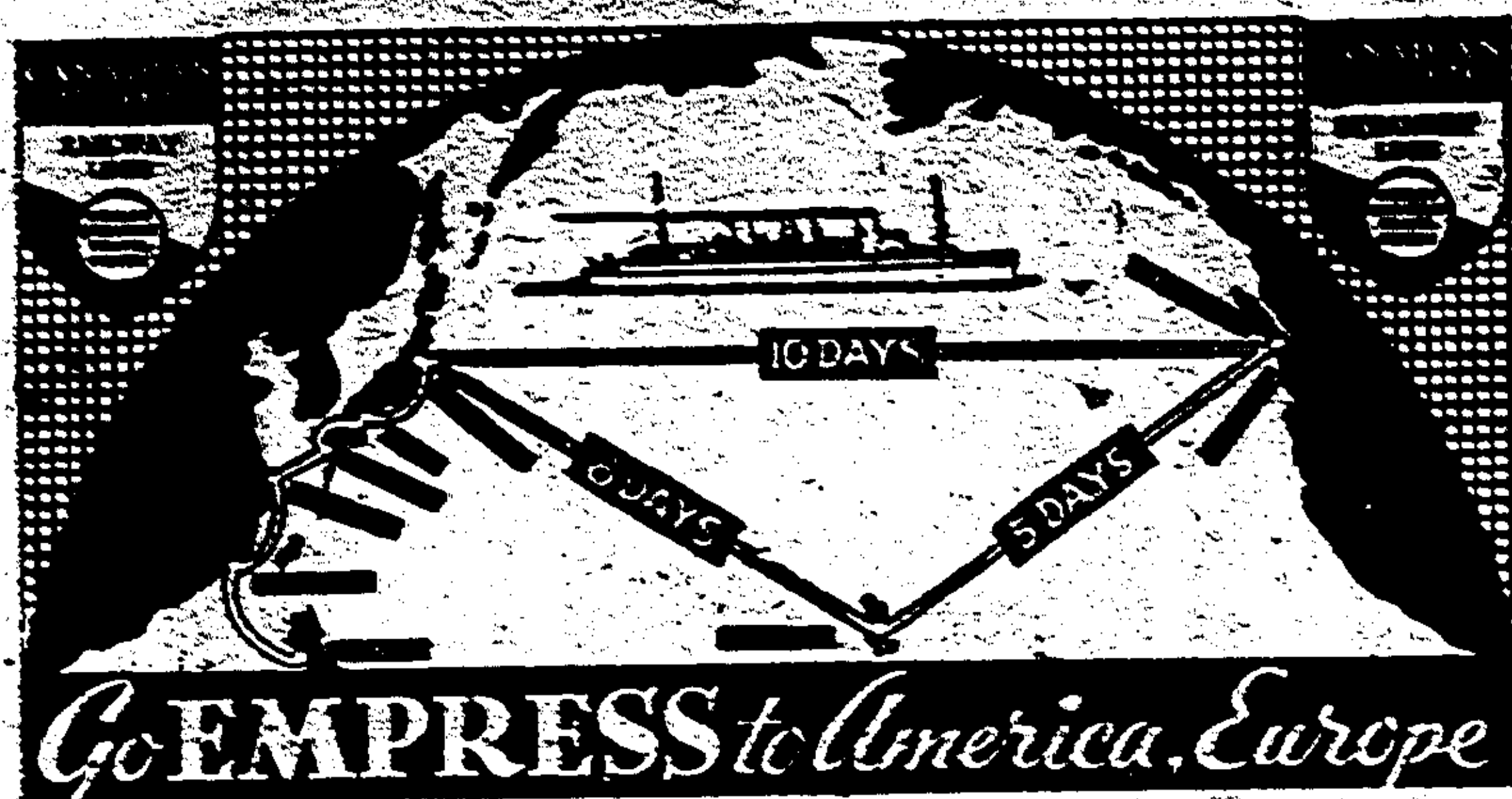
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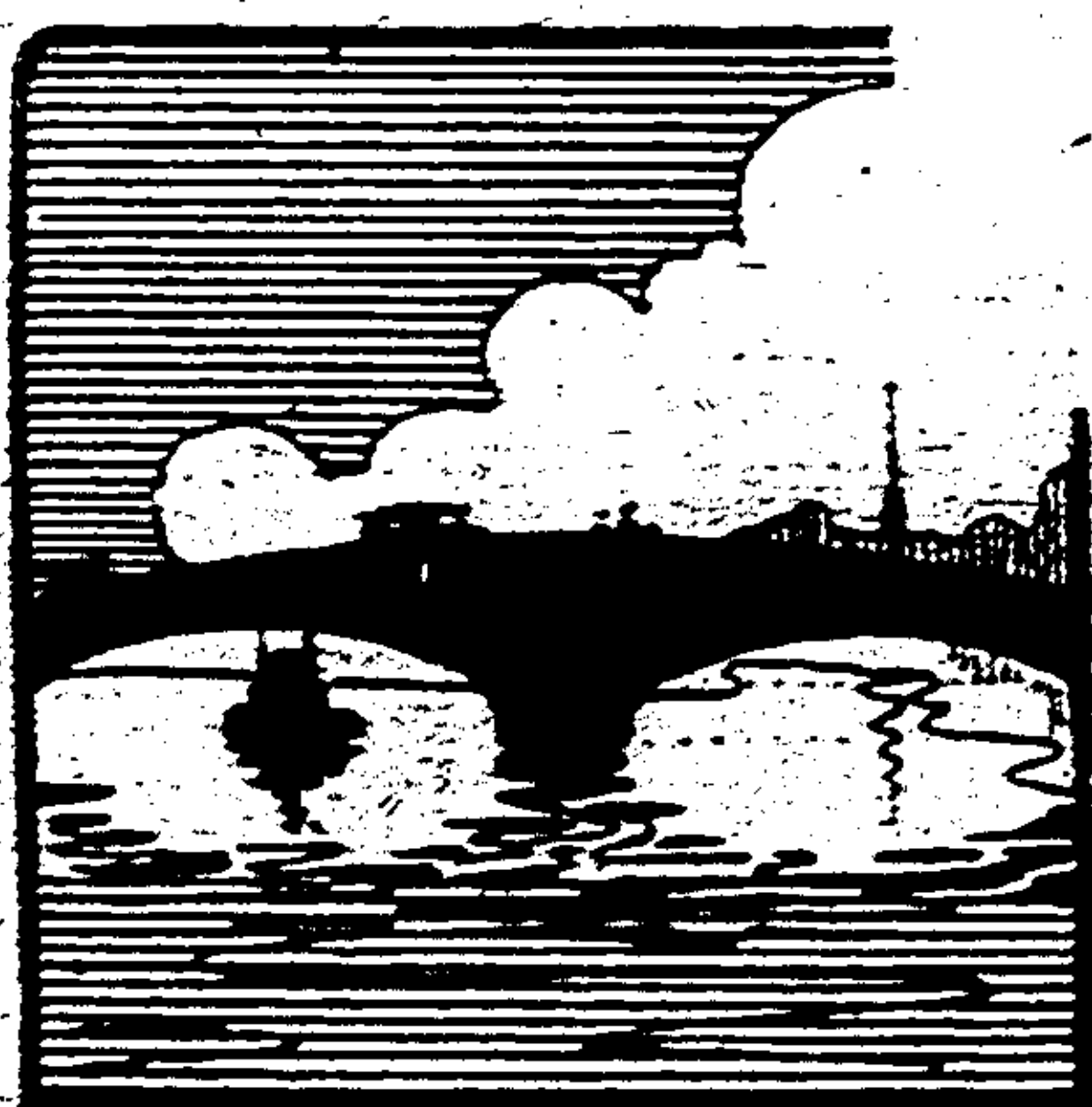
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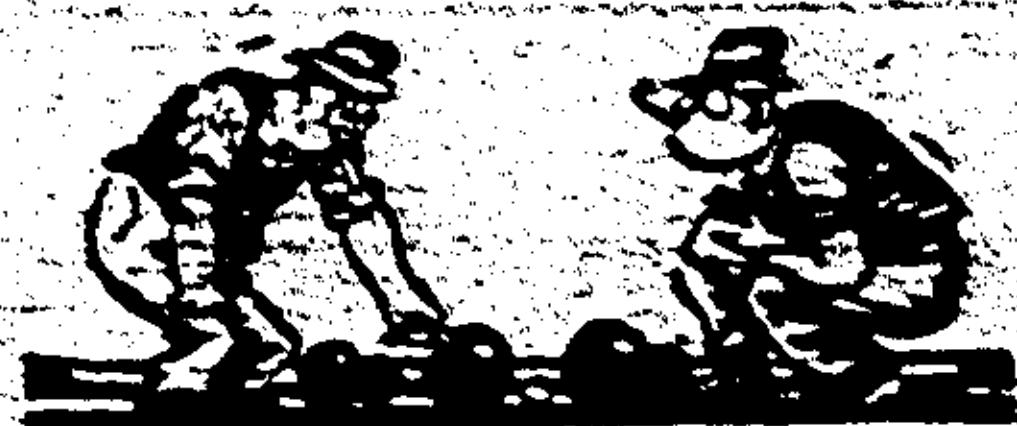
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H.K.F.C. TO MEET TAIKOO AT BOWLS

The following players have been chosen to represent the Hong Kong Football Club in a lawn bowls match against the Taikoo Recreation Club at Happy Valley next Saturday at 3.30 p.m.:

J. S. Howell, A. W. Hodges, J. Russell and J. Rodger (skip).
 W. Buller, G. S. Grover, F. H. Glover and A. Brooksbank (skip).
 R. P. Shaw, E. Strange, G. Duncan and W. Gill (skip).
 A. Steven, C. B. Robertson, E. S. Carter and J. A. R. Selby (skip).

INTRA-CLUB MATCH

A match has been arranged for members of the Football Club as follows:

J. Skinner v. G. E. Smith; V. Walker v. R. Fitches; N. Bebbington v. L. Lammert; F. Haynes v. E. Tuck; S. Cresser v. A. B. Didsbury; B. A. Mansell v. J. Ewing; T. Rowell v. R. A. Trengrove; J. Beach v. E. J. Edwards.

LOCAL SHARES

Following is the list of changes and enquiries in local share quotations this morning:—

BANKS

Hong Kong Bank \$1545 b., \$1547½ sa.

INSURANCES

Union Ins. \$520 b.
 China Underwriters \$2.15 b.
DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, ETC.

H. K. and K. Wharves \$132½ b., \$132½ sa.

Providents (Old) \$3.35 b. ex div.
 Providents (New) \$3.30 b. ex div.

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H. K. Mines \$0.10½ b., \$0.11½ sa., \$0.11/11¼ sa.

Antamoks Ps. .51 sa.

Atoks Ps. .24½ sa.

Baguio Gold Ps. .21¼ sa.

Benguet Consol. Ps. 9.50 sa.

Coco Grove Ps. .55 sa.

Consolidated Mines Ps. — sa.

Demonstrations Ps. .34½ sa.

I. X. L. Ps. .70 sa.

Paracale Gumaus Ps. .17½ sa.

San Mauricio Ps. .48¼ sa.

Suyoc Consol. .17 sa.

LANDS, HOTELS & BLDGS.

H. K. and S. Hotels \$6½ b., \$6.50/-.55 sa.

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PUBLIC UTILITIES

H. K. Tramways \$16 b., \$16¼ sa., \$16.10 sa.

Peak Trams (Old) \$7 b.

China Lights (Old) \$11.85 b.

H. K. Electrics \$59½ b.

Telephones (Old) \$26.90 b., \$26.90 sa.

Telephones (New) \$10½ b., \$10½ sa.

INDUSTRIALS

Cements \$17¼ b., \$17½ sa., \$17¼ sa.

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LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar this morning was 1/2%.

"Spot" silver was quoted in London yesterday at 18-3/16 and forward at 18-9/16.

The London on New York rate was quoted at £-US\$4.9837 and £-US\$4.98-13/16.

Singapore Raw Rubber

Messrs. H. B. Joseph and Co., have received the following quotations in Straits Currency for Raw Rubber:

May/June 20-½ b. down ¼.

July/Sept. 20¼ b. down ¼.

Oct/Dec. 21 b. down ¼.

Market: Uncertain.

NEUSEL AND BEN FOORD TO CLASH ONCE AGAIN

Schmeling Leaving For America On April 25

Berlin, To-day.

Another bout between the South African boxer, Ben Foord, and the German Walter Neusel, is expected to take place probably in June, at Hamburg.

Ben Foord, who was disqualified last Saturday, for a foul, has expressed his willingness for a return fight without a purse.

He will place his share at the disposal of winter relief or any other welfare organisation.

According to the "Zwoelf Uhrblatt", Neusel has received an offer from the United States for a fight against Tommy Farr, but would prefer a fight with Foord.

Schmeling will sail on April 25 for the United States for his fight with Joe Louis, the Berliner Tagblatt learns.

The German press hopes that the fight on June 22 will result in the world championship returning to Schmeling.—Trans-Ocean.

SENATORS BLANK THE ATHLETICS

"Dizzy" Dean Plays For The Cubs

New York, To-day.

The Chicago Cubs heralded their first appearance against the Cincinnati Reds by putting "Dizzy" Dean on the mound in his debut appearance for them and managed to win by a margin of 6 runs.

The Athletics were blanked by the Senators in the American League, Leonard pitching for the winners.

Detailed results were as follows:

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Philadelphia	0	7	1
Leonard pitched.			
Washington	3	7	1
Detroit	4	8	2
Chicago	5	8	1
St. Louis	0	1	0
Cleveland	9	11	0

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Boston	6	6	2
Moore hit a homer.			
New York	4	6	2
Joe McCarthy hit a homer.			
Brooklyn	5	8	0
Winsett hit a homer.			
Philadelphia	6	9	2

Chicago	10	16	1
Cincinnati	4	13	3
Goodman hit a homer.			

Pittsburgh	9	20	1
St. Louis	4	14	0
Gutteridge and Slaughter hit homers.			

—Reuter.

INTERNATIONAL HOCKEY TOURNAMENT

The following will represent India in the International Hockey Tournament game against Scotland to-morrow, on the Club ground, at 5.30 p.m.

—M. Ramzan (K.I.T.C.); Data Ram (Rajputana Rifles); Kishan Singh (H.K.S.R.A.); M. H. Hassan (Radio), Ghulam Rasul (Rajputana Rifles); M. R. Malik (K.I.T.C.); Pejah Singh (Police); Lt. Sawal Khan (Rajputana Rifles); Pyara Singh (K.I.T.C.); Patab (Kumaons); and Narwant Singh (Police). Reserves: Tilok Singh (Kumaons), Bachan Singh (H.K.S.R.A.), B. 379 (Police) and Marana Ram (Rajputana Rifles).

CANTON-HANKOW LINE STILL OPERATES AFTER 171 BOMBING ATTACKS

A romantic yet heroic tale can be woven around the Canton-Hankow Railway, the 1,096-kilometer life-line of China in the present war, which has withstood no less than 171 aerial bombings from last September to the end of February.

No other line of communications in China has been subjected to as many attacks from the air as has the Yuen-Han line. The reason is not far to seek. Running through Hupeh, Hunan and Kwangtung, the railway connects Wu-Han; China's de facto capital, and Canton, South China's biggest metropolis.

At Canton, the line is connected up with the Canton-Kowloon Railway by a loop-line and the Canton-Hong Kong highway. Since the capitulation of Tientsin and Shanghai, Hong Kong and Canton have become China's main outlet to the sea.

Not only that, from the Chuchow station south of Changsha one can switch over to the Chekiang-Kiangsi Railway for Nanchang and Hangchow. Following the highway from Changsha, the capital of Hunan province, one can go westward for Kweichow. From Hengchow, another main station in Hunan, one can travel by motor to Kwangsi.

BOMBED REGULARLY

A trunk line with such military and economic significance can hardly escape the notice of the Japanese. Since last September, a little more than half a month after the outbreak of the second Shanghai War, the whole line has been receiving the attention of Japanese air raiders.

Particularly severe have been the Japanese attacks on Canton, Yingtak and Lookong in Kwangtung, and Hengchow and Changsha in Hunan. On the other hand, scarcely has one day elapsed without the Japanese bombers "visiting" the Canton-Lokcheung section. Here, it is not uncommon for the Japanese to stage from four to five raids a day, the duration sometimes being as long as seven hours.

A rough estimate places the number of missiles dropped by the invading machines at 1,994 between September, 1937, and February, 1938. In these six months, there was at least one bombing on the line a day, while each kilometer of tracks received on the average of two bombs.

What about the losses? Large sections of tracks have been torn up, there's no doubt about that. Craters drilled by the death-dealing projectiles have made some stations look like bee-hives.

DAMAGE TO TRAINS SMALL

There are at least 10 trains running on the railway each day. With the Japanese raiders combing the line for objects of attack, it is only to be expected that the passenger and freight trains are constantly exposed to danger. But with rigid precautions taken by the railway authorities, there have only been one or two isolated cases of Japanese attacks on passenger and freight wagons. Some damage has also been done to locomotives, other rolling stocks and railway bridges, but not much.

Considering the frequency of the raids, the casualties thus far have been small. In addition to a few unfortunate passengers, 17 railway employees and guards were killed and 25 injured during the period under review. On the average, one life was lost for every 85 bombs dropped and one wounded for every 58 missiles. Between September and December of last year, the average monthly casualties were nine. During the first two months the number was reduced to three.

LONGEST BREAK 3 DAYS

It is an inviolable rule of the Canton-Hankow Railway that all damaged sections must be immediately repaired after the bombardment. The same section might be bombed again to-morrow, but then the day's train must go through first. Such incessant efforts on the part of the authorities have made it possible for the railway to maintain its service as regularly as is humanly possible. The longest interruption so far was a three-day break.

Aside from operations passenger and freight service between Wu-chang and Canton, the Yuen-Han line has jointly inaugurated a through service with the Chekiang-Kiangsi Railway, making it possible for passengers to travel to Nanchang by train.

NEW APPOINTMENTS

London, To-day.

The King has approved the appointment of S. R. Bernard Crean, Chief Justice of British Guiana, to be Chief Justice of Cyprus, succeeding Sir H. C. Stronge, who is retiring.

The Dominions Secretary has appointed Mr. E. Hale, an assistant secretary in the Treasury, to be an official member of the Oversea Settlement board from April 22 in place of Mr. A. P. Waterfield, recently appointed member of the Palestine Partition Commission. — British Wireless.

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THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from the 23rd April, 1938, to 30th April, 1938, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

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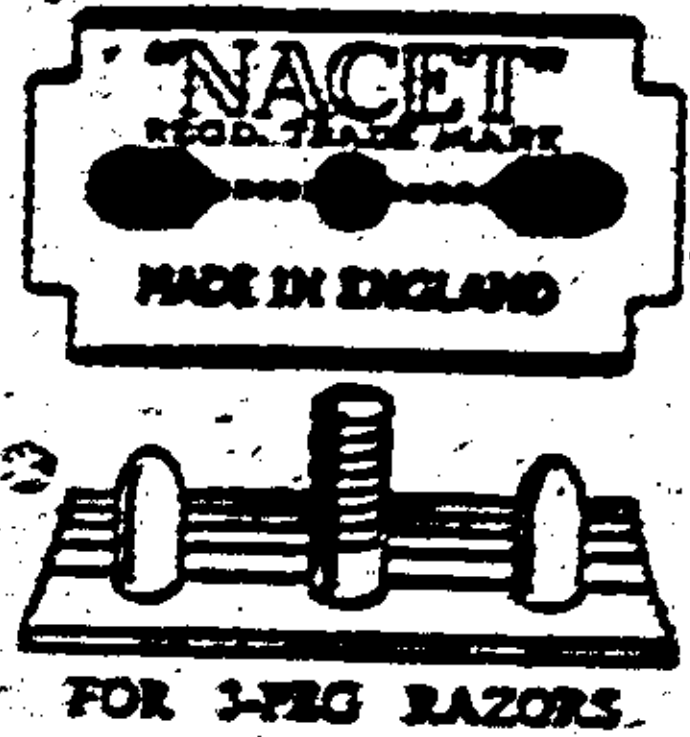
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NO DECISION IN TENNIS SEMI-FINAL

Tsui Yan-Pui And H.D. Rumjahn Again Fail To Complete Match YET ANOTHER EPIC STRUGGLE ON STAND COURT

(By "ADREM")

OPEN SINGLES
Semi-Final
(REPLAY)

Tsui Yan-pui v. H. D. Rumjahn. Match abandoned with Tsui leading 5-7, 6-3, 7-5, 8-8.

WITH fortunes fluctuating considerably in the course of the two hours and a quarter the match was in progress, stalemate was reached at 8-all in the fourth set with Tsui Yan-pui leading by two sets to one, and once again, this singles quarter-final will be replayed.

THE CLOSING STAGES OF THIS MATCH WERE THRILLING TO A DEGREE. FROM 3-ALL, BOTH PLAYERS HAD HELD THEIR SERVICES. AT THE 13TH, WHEN "H. D." DROPPED HIS, IT APPEARED THAT ALL WAS OVER. TSUI, HOWEVER, MADE A SERIES OF CARELESS STROKES, "H. D." AGAIN LEVELLED, AND ON THEY WENT AGAIN TILL DARKNESS FINALLY PUT A STOP TO IT.

There is little than I can say about the play. Except that Rumjahn won the first set and not the first two, it was very much of a repetition. There is little doubt, though, that Tsui, on the day's form, was an infinitely better player than in their previous meeting.

On that occasion, he was obviously suffering from nerves and although he improved from the third set onwards, his ground strokes, which he made so fluently yesterday, were terribly shaky. In one other department yesterday did he also show a vast improvement and incidentally, exploded a general belief, among tennis scribes, in any event, that he is weak overhead. His mistakes with his smashing yesterday could have been counted on the fingers of one hand. For the most part, he treated anything "H. D." tossed up with the utmost severity.

RAISED GAME ACCORDINGLY

Rumjahn, up against a player who showed considerable improvement over his last performance, raised his game accordingly and, as is typical of this great-hearted player, was always at his best when faced with seemingly hopeless situations.

One gallant rally in the third set is readily recalled. Tsui having won the second set to level matters, started off the third set as if it would be impossible to stop him. He played dazzling tennis and in a very short space of time had taken a lead of 5-1. It may be argued that in this position Rumjahn should have conceded the set.

Not he! Tsui became a trifle careless. He left balls which previous to this he had been going for and along went "H. D.", calmly winning his points to take four games in a row to square at 5-all.

WOULD NOT BE DENIED

However, Tsui then decided he was not going to drop behind again



after getting that far, and he piled on pressure, received a certain amount of moral aid from a couple of net-cords, and went out at 7-5

In this matter of net-cords, it might be mentioned that Tsui had more than his fair share, and, fortunately for him, or rather it should be said, unfortunately for his opponent, he always got them when some very vital point was being fought out.

THE PLAY

"H. D." started off very confidently, breaking through Tsui's service in the first game of the match after being led 40-love. He then won his own service, but Tsui, who was obviously playing far more confidently than in the previous encounter, drew level and a ding-dong struggle continued until the 11th game when Rumjahn broke through and went out on his service at 7-5.

Tsui trailed 1-3 in the next set, but rallied and won the set without conceding another game.

The third set I have already described. Tsui won it at 7-5. The fourth and final stanza, from 3-all, was just a dour struggle. Although obviously tired, both players played some really brilliant strokes and however important a point, they were never afraid to adopt aggressive means in an effort to win it.

At 7-all, the flight of the ball was most difficult to follow. At 8-all it was almost an impossibility and H.K.C.C. authorities intervened and the match was abandoned to be replayed at some later date.

SECOND SEMI-FINAL DOUBLES MATCH

Wong And Luk To Meet The Rumjahn Cousins To-day

The Second Semi-Final Round encounter in the Colony Open Doubles Lawn Tennis Championship will take place this afternoon, on the Stand Court, at the H.K.C.C., commencing at 4.30 p.m., when the holders, S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn, meet Wong Shiu-wing and Luk Ding-cheong. The former pair should win comfortably.

K.C.C. TENNIS TOURNAMENT DRAWS MADE

Ladies' Asked To Give Better Support

Kowloon Cricket Club's 1938 lawn tennis tournament has not been supported as well as was expected, but, nevertheless, some very interesting encounters are promised.

Last night the draws for five of the tournaments were announced, the three ladies' events being left in abeyance due to insufficient support. Lady members are asked to send in their entries for the Championship Singles, Handicap Singles and Handicap Doubles without any further delay.

The following are the draws:

MEN'S SENIOR SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP

E. C. Fincher v F. Grose.
G. C. Burnett v A. E. P. Guest.
S. A. Gray v A. Crawford.
G. E. Clarke v W. C. Hung.

MEN'S JUNIOR SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP

Byes into Second Round
L. W. Hume v B. J. Monks.
W. M. Gittins v A. Duncan.
A. S. Bliss v C. B. R. Sargent.

First Round
F. A. Broadbridge v L. Jack.
G. A. White v K. M. Petersen.
B. Soltan v E. Blum.

Byes into Second Round
R. Broadbridge v B. D. Lay.
R. S. Capell v J. S. Smith.
J. M. Ovens v H. Burson.
J. R. Luke.

MEN'S HANDICAP SINGLES "A"
Byes into Second Round
G. E. Clarke (-3/6) v E. C. Fincher (-40).

First Round
W. C. Hung (-40) v R. Broadbridge (scr.).
A. E. P. Guest (-30.3) v W. M. Gittins (scr.).

F. Grose (-15.3) v E. Blum (-15).
L. Jack (scr.) v S. A. Gray (-30).
F. A. Broadbridge (scr.) v G. C. Burnett (-15).

Bye into Second Round
A. Crawford (-30).

MEN'S HANDICAP SINGLES "B"
Byes into Second Round
B. Soltan (-30) v T. A. Madar (-15).

First Round
R. S. Capell (-30) v J. R. Luke (-3/6).
H. W. Crabb (-3/6) v H. Burson (-3/6).

Bye into Second Round
J. S. Smith (-3/6) v S. E. Edgar (scr.).
B. D. Lay (-3/6) v L. W. Hume (-3/6).

First Round
C. J. Tacchi (scr.) v A. Duncan (-30).
K. M. H. Petersen (-15.3) v D. Castro de Basto (scr.).

Byes into Second Round
J. M. Ovens (scr.) v Rev. C. B. R. Sargent (-15).
B. Palmertz (scr.) v G. A. White (-30).

First Round
P. C. Coombs (scr.) v A. S. Bliss (-15).
Gillard and Hazell (-3/6) v B. Palmertz and J. M. Ovens (scr.).

Byes into Second Round
A. E. P. Guest and S. A. Gray (-30.3) v E. Blum and E. Eymard (-15).
B. Soltan and R. S. Capell (-15) v G. C. Burnett and F. A. Broadbridge (-30).

First Round
H. Burson and L. W. Hume (scr.) v C. J. Tacchi and T. B. Edwards (scr.).
D. J. N. Anderson and W. C. Hung

SCOTTISH LEAGUE RESULTS

WEST HAM BEAT CZECH XI

London, To-day.

The following were the results of yesterday's matches in the First and Second Divisions of the Scottish League:

FIRST DIVISION

Morton 1 Queen's Park 2
St. Johnstone 4 Ayr 1

SECOND DIVISION

Albion 7 East Stirling 0
St. Bernard's 4 Dunfermline 0

CZECHS LOSE

A friendly match was played at Tufnell Park yesterday where West Ham United defeated Kladno, a Czechoslovakian team, by 3 goals to 2 in a very close encounter. — Reuter.

KOWLOON RIDING SCHOOL

GYMKHANA ON SUNDAY

The Kowloon Riding School are holding a gymkhana on Sunday afternoon at Ma Tau-wei, when a programme of some seven events will be decided. Post entries will be accepted from anyone in the Colony who cares to enter and large fields are expected from the School itself as well as the Hong Kong Riding School, The Equine Sports Club, Shatin, and the Cottage Club, Sheung Shui.

Prizes have been presented by Messrs. David, A. W. Grimmit, Cunha and A. O. Pullman, while Mr. T. H. G. Brayfield, Major Curry and Sgt. Christie will act as judges.

The following are the events:—

1. Trotting Race.
2. Riding Competition (Children under 5).
3. Bareback riding (Pupils of the School).
4. Handy Hunter.
5. Marketing Race.
6. Musical Chairs.
7. Novelty Race.

Mrs. Deacon will distribute the prizes.

(-30.3) v C. B. R. Sargent and B. J. M. Monks (-15).
L. Jack and A. Duncan (-15) v G. A. White and W. M. Gittins (-15).
J. S. Smith and S. Jex (scr.) v J. R. Luke and W. Mulcahy (scr.).
E. C. Fincher and G. E. Clarke (-40) v A. Crawford and R. Broadbridge (-30).

MIXED DOUBLES HANDICAP
Byes into Second Round
A. Duncan and Mrs. Sweeney (-15) v B. Soltan and Miss G. Engel (-3/6).
Mr. and Mrs. G. A. White (-3/6) v W. C. Hung and Miss V. Bradbury (-30).

First Round
A. S. Bliss and Mrs. Millard (-3/6) v Mr. and Mrs. Hazell (scr.).

Byes into Second Round
D. Harding and Miss G. White (scr.) v D. J. N. Anderson and Miss P. Anderson (-15).
J. S. Smith and Mrs. T. G. Stokes (scr.) v Eymard and Mrs. E. C. Fincher (scr.).

First Round
E. Blum and Mrs. Matti (-15) v E. C. Fincher and Mrs. Eymard (-30).
Byes into Second Round
C. J. Tacchi and Mrs. Blanford (scr.).
J. M. Ovens and Mrs. Williams (-3/6) v Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Burnett (-30).

First Round
S. A. Gray and Mrs. Knight (-15.3) v Gillard and Mrs. Smeby (-3/6).
Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Clarke (scr.) v Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Gittins (scr.).

COLONY-MACAO HOCKEY INTERPORT



An excellent action photograph of the Hong Kong Macao Interport Hockey Match which the Portuguese visitors won by the only goal of the match. In the above photo, Laertes da Costa, the Macao captain, is seen scooping the ball up the field. Others in the picture are from L. to R.: S. A. Fowler (H.K.), G. P. Lammert (Macao), W. A. Reed (H.K.), Alex. Airoso (Macao), Alberto Airoso (Macao), Fred. Nolasco (Macao), C. W. Lyle (Macao's Umpire), R. Rosario (Macao), Lt. Douglass (H.K.), M. R. Malik (H.K.) and G. H. Fowler (H.K.). ("Mail" photo).

V.R.C. CHAIRMAN'S APPEAL FOR MORE MEMBERS

GOVERNOR BECOMES NEW PRESIDENT

THE annual meeting of the Victoria Recreation Club was held in the Clubhouse last evening, when a slight loss on the accounts was reported. An appeal was made by the Chairman, His Honour, Sir Atholl MacGregor, for more members.

Sir Atholl was supported by Mr. D. F. Lopes (Hon. Secretary), Mr. H. Hyndman (Hon. Treasurer), Mr. D. Lyon (Vice-Chairman), and Messrs. F. W. T. Ross, C. E. Roza Pereira, G. A. Agabeg, F. X. d'Almada e Castro, jr., and L. Roza Pereira (Committee).

Before addressing the meeting, Sir Atholl referred to the deaths of Messrs. A. A. Alves (life member), and J. E. Scott during the past year, and asked the members to stand for a moment in silence in their memory.

The Chairman mentioned that there was a loss, on paper, of \$1,232 on the year's working. Special expenditure had been made in connection with the Coronation celebrations, and illumination of the Club, and there had been more expenditure on account of the last typhoon. An unfortunate factor was that the projected Interport meeting could not take place. However, he reminded them that they had a bath which everyone could be proud of, and they had to thank the Hon. Secretary and Hon. Treasurer for that.

CLUB'S NEW PRESIDENT

Sir Atholl said he hoped the bath would attract more members, as the membership roll was coming down. He was the last person to advocate alcoholic excess, but he hoped that all members would sometimes visit the bar and have a drink, as that would help the finances of the Club. He also mentioned that His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, had graciously consented to become the Club's President. (Applause).

On the proposal of Mr. Lyon, seconded by Mr. Ross, it was decided to continue to give an honorarium of \$300 each per annum to both the Hon. Secretary and Hon. Treasurer for their work.

The election of officers for 1938 resulted as follows: Chairman, Sir Atholl MacGregor; Hon. Secretary, Mr. D. F. Lopes; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. H. Hyndman; General Committee, Messrs. F. W. T. Ross, L. Roza Pereira, F. X. d'Almada e Castro, jr., R. J. Hunt, G. A. Agabeg, D. Lyon, C. Roza Pereira, D. Liang and W. O'Neill.

ANNUAL REPORT

Extracts from the annual report of the Club read:—

Forty-six members left the Club during the year and 22 new members were admitted, leaving a membership

roll (including Absent Members) of 187 on December 31, 1937. The Club buildings and premises are in good condition. Major repairs were found necessary after the typhoon of September 2 and the work was put in hand immediately and completed at the earliest possible date.

A long felt want was carried out with the tiling of the bath in November, the work occupying approximately six weeks. The bottom of the swimming bath was slightly raised with reinforced concrete before the tiles were installed. The sides and ends were also raised approximately 6 inches. Additional reinforced concrete pillars were put in along the side to afford extra support for the stands and passageway. The filter and pump were given their usual overhaul.

In conjunction with the Coronation Celebrations an International Swimming Gala was held on Saturday, May 15, between Great Britain, Portugal and China, which resulted in a victory for the latter.

FAMINE RELIEF GALA

The Club also co-operated with the Society of Kwangtung in Aid of Famine Relief for the Northern Provinces in the organising of a charity gala between the Hong Kong Europeans and the Canton Chinese Team on Saturday, July 17. On the following day the Canton team met the Hong Kong Chinese.

An invitation to send an Interport Team to Shanghai in late August was accepted and an Interport Committee, representative of all swimming clubs in the Colony, was formed to take care of the arrangements. Trials were held and preparations practically completed when the breaking out of hostilities in North China forced the cancellation of this eagerly awaited event.

The annual Swimming Championships of the Colony were held on September 28, 29 and October 1 and 2. The Long Plunge and Throwing the Polo Ball events were eliminated and will no longer be competed for. Entries for the various Championship events were disappointing and two events were cancelled, viz. the 440 yards and 880 yards Free Style. In the former only one entry was received; the competitor later withdrawing in view of being the sole entrant, whereas no entries were received for the 880 yards Free Style.

BOAT HOUSE AND ROWING

The boats and gear have been maintained in good order. There were no inter-members competitions or regattas with other Clubs during the year under review. Repairs had to be made to the boat house ramp on account of typhoon damage on September 2.

Owing to lack of proper facilities the Club did not enter a team in the Badminton League as in previous years.

Y.M.C.A. SWIMMING

A committee of five was appointed at the European Y.M.C.A. swimming meeting held last night.

It comprises: Messrs. A. F. Austen, F. Ashford, J. S. Greenberg, C. Sloane and J. Cornfield.

ANOTHER RACE FOR AMERICA

Pigskin Wins The City And Suburban

London, To-day.

Another big English race went to America yesterday, when Mrs. Chester Beatty's Pigskin, starting as 6 to 1 favourite, won the City and Suburban Handicap after a thrilling race, beating Mr. William Murray's Terror, a 20 to 1 chance, by a head, while Mr. H. R. Mosenhall's Lady of Shalott, was third, one-and-a-half-lengths behind. There were 18 starters.

Pigskin which was at one time the champion Egyptian racehorse, carried three pounds overweight in order to allow Cliff Richards to ride it.

Peter Maher, who on Tuesday rode Irish Stew to a win in the Great Metropolitan Handicap, rode Terror and thus narrowly missed securing a great "double."—Reuter.

The court, however, is being maintained for the use of members.

The Committee avail themselves of this opportunity to thank those who have so kindly donated prizes or otherwise subscribed to the activities of the Club during the year.

AUSTRALIAN TESTITES ARRIVE IN ENGLAND

GREAT CROWDS AT WATERLOO

London, To-day.

The 1938 Australian Test Cricket team arrived at Waterloo Station at 5 p.m. yesterday, and was accorded a tremendous reception by the huge crowds which had gathered inside and outside the Station.

Mounted Police had a trying time at the barriers, and subdued thousands of enthusiasts, only the privileged being allowed on the platform.

The Australians were welcomed by Lord Hawke, Treasurer of the M.C.C., and Sir Pelham Warner, an England Selector and member of the M.C.C., and others including many former England Test cricketers.

On behalf of the M.C.C., Lord Hawke greeted Don Bradman, the popular Australian skipper, with the words, "Welcome, little boy, how are the invalids?", referring to a reported epidemic of illness and injuries on board the ship.

The Australians will commence practice at Lord's to-day.—Reuter.

ANNUAL DINNER OF H.K.F.C.

The annual dinner of the Hong Kong Football Club will be held in the Roof Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel next Saturday, April 23, at 7.30 p.m.

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K.I.T.C. ANNUAL TENNIS TOURNEY

Entries And Draws

The following are the results of the draw of the Kowloon Indian Tennis Club tennis tournaments for 1938:

SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP

Bye, Lt. D. C. Misra.
First Round, S. A. Hussain v A. Khan; G. M. Khan v I. M. Singh; M. A. Khan v Jahan Dad; M. Ramzan v F. Khan; A. R. Azan v S. S. Hussain; G. Singh v S. A. Rumjahn.
Bye, P. Vaswani.

DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP

Bye, Dr. Karanjia and M. Ramzan.
First Round, S. A. Rumjahn and I. M. Singh v Firdos Khan and M. A.



Khan; S. A. and S. S. Hussain v Lt. Misra and Partner.
Bye, Jahan Dad and M. S. Hussain.

SINGLES HANDICAP

Byes, P. Vaswani, G. Singh, M. A. Khan, Jahan Dad; S. S. Hussain, Lt. Misra; A. Khan.
First Round, R. S. Gill v Dr. Karanjia.

Byes, I. M. Singh, M. S. Hussain; A. R. Azan, S. A. Hussain; M. R. Malik; G. M. Khan; M. Ramzan, Firdos Khan.

DOUBLES HANDICAP

Byes, Jahan Dad and M. S. Hussain; S. A. Hussain and P. Vaswani; M.

MACAO LYCEUM HOCKEY WIN OVER 'VARSITY'

The Macao Lyceum hockey team scored an easy victory over the Hong Kong University in their match at the Police Training School ground yesterday by four goals to nil. G. Silva scored all four goals for the winners.

Ramzan and Dr. Karanjia.

First Round, S. S. Hussain and A. R. Azan v G. M. Khan and A. Khan; M. S. Mamak and Shroff v Firdos Khan and M. A. Khan; I. M. Singh and S. A. Rumjahn v M. R. Malik and R. S. Gill.

Byes, Lt. Misra and S. S. Mamak, Lt. Umroa Singh and H. S. Mamak.

F. A. CENSURE PLAYER

Officials of Sheffield United and Liverpool gave evidence at Derby before a Commission appointed by the F. A. to inquire into the circumstances of the injury in a fourth round Cup replay to Eastham, the Liverpool forward.

The inquiry lasted 2½ hours, and the following official statement was made by Mr. S. F. Rous, the F. A. secretary: "The Commission is not satisfied from the evidence produced that the player, Jessop, was guilty of an intentional offence, but are satisfied that the tackle which resulted in the injury to Eastham was dangerous. Jessop is censured and cautioned as regards play in the future. No order is made as to the costs of the inquiry."

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The letters W, L, and D indicate matches won, lost and drawn respectively. Games played at home are shown in capital letters, while away games are denoted by ordinary type. The figures in brackets denote the position held by that team at the conclusion of last season, an asterisk denotes that that team has been promoted and a dagger that that team has been relegated.

	HOME										AWAY										
THIRD DIVISION NORTH											Goals	Goals Pts. TL									
	P	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.		P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.					
Tranmere (19) DdWwd	37	19	13	4	2	48	19	30	18	6	5	7	21	19	17	47					
Hull (5) dWlWd	37	16	10	5	1	47	16	25	21	8	6	7	24	31	22	47					
Doncaster (-) WIWdW	36	18	13	3	2	44	14	29	18	5	7	6	24	32	17	46					
Oldham (4) WwIWW	36	18	14	4	0	43	15	32	18	3	8	7	19	25	14	46					
Rotherham (17) LdWdl	38	19	12	5	2	41	18	29	19	6	3	10	21	32	15	44					
Lincoln (2) ILlW	36	18	12	3	3	43	14	27	18	5	5	8	17	25	15	42					
Gateshead (21) kDlL	37	18	12	4	2	40	18	28	19	5	4	10	20	38	14	42					
York (12) LdWlL	36	19	11	4	4	39	22	26	17	4	6	7	26	35	14	40					
Chester (3) WIWwd	37	19	12	4	3	57	27	28	18	2	8	8	19	36	12	40					
Crewe (20) WWWW	38	20	13	3	4	44	15	29	18	3	5	10	13	32	11	40					
Cardiff (10) WdlL	37	18	11	4	3	34	17	26	19	4	3	12	21	45	11	37					
Wrexham (8) dllW	37	17	12	2	3	40	19	26	20	2	7	11	21	46	11	37					
Southport (14) WWWWL	37	20	8	7	5	40	23	23	17	3	6	8	19	40	12	35					
Port Vale (11) lDlL	38	20	10	8	2	41	26	28	18	1	4	13	17	42	6	34					
N. Brighton (15) WlDWD	36	18	10	4	4	39	16	24	18	3	3	12	16	36	9	33					
Bradford C. (-) dwdL	37	18	11	5	2	42	19	27	19	1	4	14	18	34	6	33					
Rochdale (18) dldWl	38	19	7	8	4	36	25	22	19	5	1	13	27	50	11	33					
Halifax (7) WldL	36	18	8	6	4	22	18	22	18	3	4	11	19	42	10	32					
Barrow (16) WddW	37	17	8	4	5	30	19	20	20	2	4	14	13	49	8	28					
Darlington (22) lWlW	37	18	8	3	7	33	23	19	19	1	5	13	14	42	7	26					
Accrington (13) LdWl	37	20	8	2	10	29	32	18	17	2	3	12	17	37	7	25					
Hartlepool (6) lHDd	38	16	7	8	3	29	19	22	20	6	2	18	17	53	2	24					

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SCOTTISH LEAGUE										HOME				AWAY												
										Goals				Goals Pts. TL												
										P	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.	P	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.	
Leith (3) v DDLW	35	17	12	4	1	64	16	28	18	12	3	3	35	24	27	55										
Partick (5) v WWLw	35	17	14	2	1	40	12	36	18	9	4	5	40	21	22	52										
Angers (1) v WlWw	35	18	11	5	2	42	18	27	17	8	3	6	24	20	19	46										
Otherwell (4) v WIWID	36	19	12	5	2	51	27	29	17	5	4	8	16	34	14	43										
Albion (13) v LWIID	36	18	8	5	5	37	28	21	18	9	4	5	39	29	22	43										
Partick (3) v LWIL	33	17	11	1	5	39	23	23	16	4	5	7	19	31	13	36										
Greenock (2) v BW	35	17	11	2	4	38	15	24	18	3	6	9	29	32	12	36										
Barnhill (17) v DlwW	36	18	9	5	4	34	32	23	18	4	4	10	23	34	12	35										
Greenock (19) v WIIIL	37	18	8	6	4	37	26	22	19	5	3	11	23	32	13	35										
Johnstone v Dlw	35	17	8	3	6	38	15	19	18	6	3	9	24	49	15	34										
Mirren (16) v WvLIL	35	17	11	2	4	34	16	24	18	3	3	12	21	28	9	33										
Card Lamark (6) v WvIID	36	18	7	6	5	32	32	20	18	4	5	9	30	38	13	33										
Greenock (9) v DvLW	35	18	10	3	5	44	24	23	17	3	2	12	26	31	8	31										
Leith (-) v Dlw	35	17	6	7	4	24	30	19	18	4	4	10	36	58	12	31										
Leith (16) v DvL	35	18	7	8	3	41	31	22	17	3	3	11	31	39	9	31										
Leith O'S. (18) v DvLW	38	18	6	4	8	26	16	16	18	4	7	7	29	34	15	31										
Partick (11) v WWIL	35	17	8	4	5	33	28	20	18	3	4	11	36	52	10	39										
Partick (8) v WvW	34	17	8	2	7	24	28	18	17	3	5	9	29	37	11	29										
Leith's P.R. (15) v DvL	34	17	5	8	4	28	25	18	17	3	4	10	23	35	10	38										
Leith (-) v LIL	34	17	4	1	12	37	41	9	17	2	2	13	20	59	6	15										

(These tables do not include games played during the week)

Sibelius' "Night Ride" And Other Compositions

12-12.20 p.m.—Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.
12.30 p.m.—Songs by Sam Browne (Baritone).
12.40 p.m.—Ambrose & His Orchestra.
1 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Tino Rossi (Tenor) And Orchestre Raymonde.
1.30 p.m.—Renter and Rugby Press. Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—Mozart Compositions.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
5-5.03 p.m.—European Programme.
5.03-11 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
5 p.m.—Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Roof Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel.
6 p.m.—Studio—The Children's Hour.
7 p.m.—Songs by Paul Robeson (Bass).
I Stood On De Ribber; Peter, Go Ring Dem Bells (Arr. Burleigh).
Go Down, Moses (Burleigh).
Work All De Summer (Coll. by L. Gellert).
Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel (Arr. Lawrence Brown).
7.10 p.m.—New Mayfair Orchestra.
"He Wanted Adventure"—Selection (Waller & Tunbridge).
From Erik Charell's "White Horse Inn" (Stolz & Benatzky).
Exense Me Dance.
7.28 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.
7.30 p.m.—London Relay—"At The Black Dog". Mr. Wilkes at home in his own bar-parlour. Presented by Pascoe Thornton and S. E. Reynolds.
8 p.m.—Local Time Signal. Weather

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Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Chinese Programme—Studio Concert.
11 p.m.—Close down.
8.03 p.m.—Sibelius Compositions.
Symphonic Poem "Night-Ride And Sunrise", Op. 55.....The B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra Conducted by Adrian Boult.
Flickan Kom Ifran Sin Alskings Mote; Sav, Sav, Susa, Op. 36. No. 4.....Marian Anderson (Contralto).
Piano Accomp. by Kosti Vehanen.
Karelia Suite, Op. 11.....London Philharmonic Orchestra. Cond. by Walter Goehr.
8.33 p.m.—Arthur Rubinstein at the Piano.
Hungarian Rhapsody No. 10 (Liszt).
Consolation No. 3 (Liszt).
Polonaise No. 1 In C Sharp Minor, Op. 26, No. 1 (Chopin).
8.50 p.m.—Military Band Music.
Galliwog's Cake Walk ("The Children's Corner"—Debussy).....B.B.C. Wireless Military Band, cond. by B. Walton O'Donnell.
The Bells Of St. Male (Rimmer).
The Semper Fidelis March (Sousa).....The Band Of H.M. Coldstream Guards, cond. by Lieut. R. G. Evans.
The Soloist's Delight (Godfrey).
Marche Heroique De Szabady (Masset, arr. Dan Godfrey).....The Band Of H.M. Coldstream Guards, cond. by Lieut. J. C. Windram.
Medley Of Scottish Airs.....Pipers of the 2nd Batt. The Q.O. Cameron

Highlanders (Under the direction of Pipe-Major T. K. Marshall) & H. Dawson (Organ).
9.15 p.m.—London Relay—"World Affairs". A talk by J. L. Briery, O.B.E., Chichele Professor of International Law in the University of Oxford.
9.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
9.50 p.m.—Latest Variety.
Organ Solo—Hit Parade.....Reginald Foort at the B.B.C. Theatre Organ.
Humorous—She Said She Wouldn't (Miller); I'm The Only Bit Of Comfort That She's Got (Miller).....Max Miller (Comedian) with Orchestra.
Vocal—On The Sunny Side Of The Rockies (Ingraham-Tobias); The Last Hansom Cabby (Connor & Wallace).....The Three Musketeers and Rae Jenkins' Buskers.
Vocal—Little Drummer Boy (Noel & Pelosi); So Many Memories (Woods).....Elsie Carlisle.
Vocal—"Me And My Girl"—Vocal Selection.....Wallace Lupino, Lupino Lane, Teddie St. Dennis & Chorus Theatre Orch. cond. by George Windeatt.
Orch. with Vocalists & Chorus—Ger-shwin Medley.....New Mayfair Orch. Elisabeth Welch & Robert Ashley (Vocalists).
10.30 p.m.—New Dance Records.
11 p.m.—Close down.

Military Band: Variety: Arthur Rubinstein

TRANSMISSION 2

Frequencies—
GSJ 21.53 Mc/s (13.93 m.)
GSH 21.47 Mc/s (13.97 m.)
GSG 17.79 Mc/s (16.86 m.)
GSO 15.18 Mc/s (19.76 m.)
10.45 a.m.—Big Ben. The Gang Smasher (Episode 3): "John Martinson Meets a Duchess." A radio serial from the novel The Gang Smasher.
11.05 a.m.—Alfred Van Dam and His State Orchestra, from the Gaumont State Cinema, Kilburn, London.
11.30 a.m.—"At the Black Dog." Mr. Wilkes at home in his own bar-parlour.
12.00 p.m.—Orchestral Music.
12.35 p.m.—"Empire Variety Theatre."
1.15 p.m.—"World Affairs." A talk by J. L. Briery, Chichele Professor of International Law in the University of Oxford.
1.30 p.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 1.45 p.m.
1.57 p.m.—Close Down.

TRANSMISSION 3

Frequencies—
GSH 21.47 Mc/s (13.97 m.)
GSG 17.79 Mc/s (16.86 m.)
GSE 15.14 Mc/s (19.82 m.)
GSJ (to 3.30 p.m.) 21.53 Mc/s

1.57 p.m.—Opening Announcements.
2.00 p.m.—Big Ben. Orchestral Music.
2.05 p.m.—Pianoforte Recital by Dorothy Folkard.
2.40 p.m.—The Gang Smasher (Episode 3): "John Martinson Meets a Duchess." A radio serial from the novel The Gang Smasher.
3.00 p.m.—Walt Disney's "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs." A broadcasting version of the first full-length film cartoon (by permission of Walt Disney Mickey Mouse, Ltd.).
4.00 p.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 4.15 p.m.
4.20 p.m.—"Matters of Moment." A talk by J. A. Scott Watson, Professor of Rural Economy, University of Oxford, in a series for listeners in India.
4.35 p.m.—"Noye's Fludde." A miracle-play of the Deluge, of Noah and his wife and sons, first acted by the waterleaders and drawers of the Dee.
5.00 p.m.—Close Down.

BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

How Good Are You?

Mr. Culbertson is conducting, through this column, an examination of bridge players. Rate yourself by subtracting from 100 the points for each wrong answer.

Questions 20 and 21 of the Self-Rating Bridge Examination appeared yesterday. They were:

Question 20. Both sides vulnerable. You are South. The bidding was as follows:

North East South West
1 spade Double Pass 2 hearts
Pass 2 no trump Pass 3 no trump
Pass Pass Pass

You must lead from this holding:
S—Q 9 4, H—7 5, D—Q 9 7 3 2,
C—10 9 8.

What card do you lead?

Answer. Your correct lead is the four of spades. Declarer, on your right, probably holds some spade combination such as A J x or K J x. By conserving your spade queen you will shut out his secondary stopper in the suit. (Two points demerit for leading any card except the spade four.)

Question 21. Both sides vulnerable. You are South. East, your righthand opponent, dealt and bid four spades. Your holding is:
S 3 H A Q 10 5 D A K J 6 C K Q J 4

What call do you make?

Answer. You should bid four no trump. This, of course, is tantamount to a take-out double, in that it asks your partner to show his best suit. You are well prepared for any five bid. If you were to double you might have to be contented with a very small penalty since, obviously, your righthand opponent holds a freak. (One point demerit for doubling; three points demerit for passing or for any five bid.)

TO-DAY'S QUESTION

Question 22. Neither side vulnerable. You are South, the dealer. You hold:

S—A K 10 9 4 2, H—A 7,
D—A K 6, C—A 9.

The bidding has proceeded:

South West North East
2 spades 3 clubs Pass 3 hearts
3 spades 4 clubs Pass 4 hearts

What call do you make now?

TO-DAY'S HAND

West, dealer.

Neither side vulnerable.

North

S—10 6

H—K 9 5

D—K 7 5 3 2

C—Q 8

West East

S—9 2 S—A Q J 7 8

H—A 10 7 6 3 2, H—J 8 4

D—9 D—Q

C—K 10 6 3 C—J 7 5 2

South

S—K 8 5 4

H—Q

D—A J 10 8 6 4

C—A 9

The bidding:

West North East South

Pass Pass 1 spade* 2 diam'ds

2 hearts 3 diam'ds Pass 5 diam'ds

Pass Pass Pass

*A third hand semi-psyche.

West opened his top spade. East won and, correctly analyzing that defeat of the contract would hinge on establishing a club trick before West's probable heart ace was knocked out, returned the dence of clubs. Declarer instantaneously decided that East would not have led away from the club king, and therefore climbed right up with the club ace. The diamond ace drew the outstanding trumps, and the heart queen then was played. West, after some hesitation (during which his partner held his breath) finally, reluctantly, took this with the ace. But then he spoiled that magnificent play by returning, not the club king, but another heart! Declarer grinned broadly as he discarded his losing club on the heart king.

East exploded: "Good grief, partner! Can't you take the setting trick? West muttered something to the effect that he had been afraid that the club king, if played, would be ruffed by declarer, and dummy's queen established.

"O, well!" East fairly snorted. "If you couldn't count from my lead of the fourth best club that declarer started with two, just let's skip the whole thing!"

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 22nd April to the 28th April, 1938, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

H. DA LUZ,

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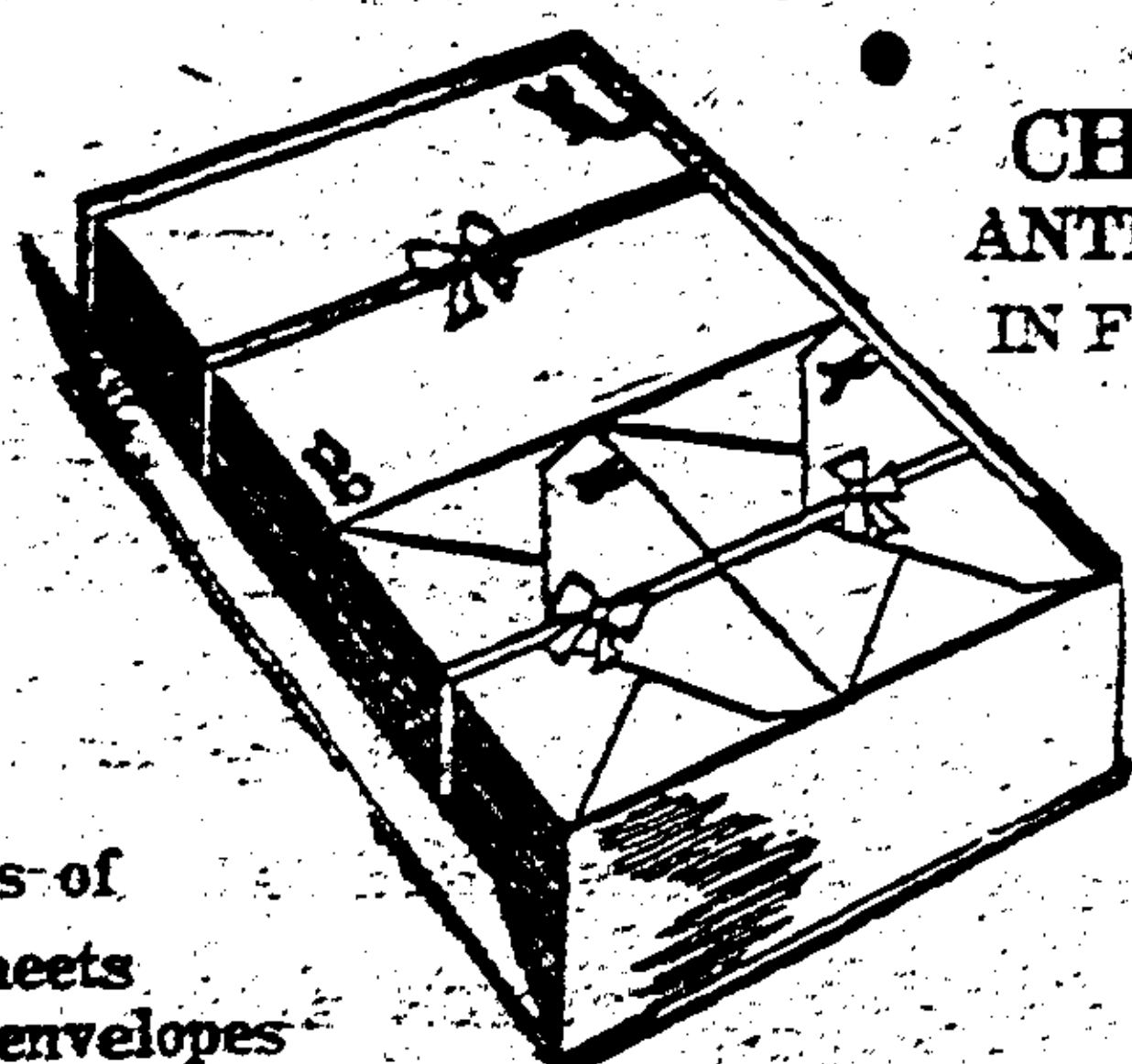
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Moscow, To-day.

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The decree says the kulaks are now tilling less than one per cent. of Soviet soil, and charges them with enriching themselves by speculation.

The decree orders stricter control of kulaks and collection of all taxes due from them.—Trans-Ocean.

OLYMPIC FILM

Berlin, To-day.

Eighteen months after the close of the Olympic Games in Berlin in 1936, the German Olympic film was shown for the first time in Berlin yesterday on Herr Hitler's birthday.

The world premiere of this documentary film record produced under the directorship of Leni Riefensthal took place in an exceedingly festive setting before an audience of distinguished guests.—Trans-Ocean.

BULGAR TREATY WITH YUGO-SLAVIA

Belgrade, To-day.

The Yugo-Slav Premier and Foreign Minister, M. Stojadinovic, and the Bulgarian Minister, M. Ivan Popoff, yesterday signed the agreement reached in Sofia as long ago as November 9, 1935, for protection and maintenance of the common Bulgar-Slav frontier.—Trans-Ocean.

RUMANIAN ROUND-UP

Bucharest, To-day.

A further large-scale police raid was carried out by the Rumanian authorities last night, over 1,500 persons being rounded up.

Object of the raid, it is stated, was to secure the arrest of law-breakers, and it has no political significance.—Trans-Ocean.

Moscow, To-day.

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